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# **I. CONFERENCE PERSONNEL**

## **A. OFFICERS**

### **ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

- PRESIDENT:** Bishop Ralph E. Dodge  
P.O. Box 8293 Causeway, Salisbury,  
Salisbury, Rhodesia  
P.O. Box 1192, Kitwe, Zambia
- SECRETARY:** Rev. Abel T. Muzorewa  
Old Umtali Methodist Centre  
P.B. P7024, Umtali
- ASSISTANTS:** Rev. Norman Thomas  
Rev. Marcia Ball  
Rev. Vivian Otto
- TREASURER:** Mr. Isaac Musamba  
P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury
- STATISTICIAN:** Rev. Asbjorn Leiknes  
Mutambara Centre, P.O. Mutambara
- ASSISTANT:** Rev. Nathaniel Chiwota

## **DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS**

- Mrewa:** Rev. Davidson Chikosi,  
Mrewa Methodist Centre, P.B. 62, Mrewa
- Mtasa-Makoni:** Rev. Ovid Stine  
Old Umtali Methodist Centre, P.B. P7024, Umtali
- Mtoko-Nyadiri:** Rev. Nason Madzinga  
Nyamuzuwe Methodist Centre, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
- Umtali South:** Rev. Patron Nyamukapa  
Mutambara Methodist Centre, P.O. Mutambara

## **STAFF**

- Administrative Assistant to the Bishop:** Rev. Jonah Kawadza  
P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury
- Field Treasurer:** Mr. John Shryock, Box 8293, Causeway, Slby.
- Executive Secretary, Board of Education,** Mr. George Fleshman  
P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury
- Secretary to Area Office:** Mr. William Humbane
- Publicity and Promotion:** Mr. William Finster  
P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury
- Executive Secretary for Ngariende:** Rev. Hunter Griffin
- Coordinator—Conference Extension:** P.B.P7024, Umtali
- Director of Christian Education:** Rev. Norman Thomas  
Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands
- Director of Youth Work:** Rev. Abel Muzorewa  
Old Umtali Methodist Centre, P.B. P7024, Umtali
- Director of Communications:** Mr. Ezekiel Makunike,  
Old Umtali Centre, P.B. P7024, Umtali

## B. MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE

(Year indicates beginning of minister as member on trial)  
"p" indicates present).

### 1. RETIRED MINISTERS

- 1927 Chieza, Philip, P.O. Box 136, Rusape  
1927 Chieza, Samuel c/o Tanda Store, P.O. Headlands  
1926 Chimbadzwa, Josiah, P. O. Watsomba  
1907 James, Henry I., "Jalna", Winton Rd., Cheltenham, E  
1932 p Kasambira, Silas P., P.B. C314, Umtali  
1924 Katsidzira, Benjamin, P.B. M209, Umtali  
1930 p Katsidzira, Hosea, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa  
1930 p Maramba, Johnson, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba  
1924 Maranke, Titue, c/o Saurombe Store, P.O. Box 6, Odzi  
1928 p Muparutsa, Moses, Muparutsa School, c/o Gatsi School,  
P.B. 8, Penhalonga  
1930 p Munjoma, Enoch, c/o Mutambara Methodist Centre,  
P.O. Mutambara  
1917 Murphree, Marshall, J., Box 108, Oneonta, Alabama  
1928 Nduna, John, c/o Rowa School, P.B. 7319C, Umtali  
1925 Ngonyama, Reginald  
1910 O'Farrell, T. A., 417 Kitchel Ave., Pana, Illinois  
1921 Roberts, George A., Penney Farms, Florida, 32079.  
1930 Rugayo, Jackson, P.O. Nyanyadzi

### 2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS

- 1953 Aldrich, Sylvia, Hadley, Michigan  
1948 p Anfinson, Hans F., P.O. Box 196, Rusape  
1953 p Ball, Marcia M., P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali  
1960 p Bisby, Joseph B., P.O. Mutambara  
1940 Blomquist, Lennart G., (on furlough)  
1948 p Chidzikwe, Josiah, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
1934 p Chieza, Luke, P.O. Mutambara  
1942 p Chigubu, Nason, Mutsago, P.B. P7006, Umtali  
1953 p Chikosi, Davidson, Mrewa Centre, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
1955 p Chimblanda, Elijah, Nyamuzuwe, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko  
1956 p Chinogureyi, M. David, Nyamutumbu, P.B. 645E, Slby.  
1933 p Chitombo, Jonah, Mutambara Centre, P.O. Mutambara  
1959 p Chiwota, Nathaniel, Matendeudze, P.O. Mutambara  
1952 p Chiza, Martin, Epworth Theological College,  
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury  
1948 p Choto, Kenneth, 26 Chinamhora St., Harare, Salisbury  
1943 Culver, Maurice, Asbury Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky  
1957 p Curtis, Thomas L., Boston University School of Theology  
745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass.  
1954 p Dikanifuwa, Nason, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali  
1943 p Eisenberg, J. Lawrence, School of Theology,  
Boston University, 745 Commonwealth, Boston 15, Mass.  
1943 p Eriksson, Kare E., Epworth Theological College,  
P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury  
1956 Goodloe, Robert W., Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.  
1948 p Griffin, Hunter D., Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
1952 p Gurupira, Philemon, Gurure School, P.O. Mtoko  
1963 p Gurure, J. Johnstone, Chamapango, P.B. 62, Mrewa



- 1954 p Hanson, Coriless, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1948 Harper, Kenneth, 355 Transylvania Park, Lexington, Ky.  
 1937 Hassing, Per, Boston University School of Theology,  
 745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass.  
 1959 Heyer, Edward (furlough) 523 Downer Place,  
 Aurora, Illinois 60506.  
 1960 Hughes, Robert E., P.O. Box 1192, Kitwe, Zambia  
 1948 p Jangano, Eliah, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1962 p Jijita, Elliot, Mundenda, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1953 p Jijita, John B., P.O. Box 196, Rusape  
 1951 p Johnson, Morgan, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1959 p Kaemmer, John, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1942 Kajese, Amon C., P.O. Mtoko  
 1961 p Kalso, Milton, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1960 Kapenzi, Geoffrey, Boston University School of Theology  
 745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass.  
 1955 p Katsande, Alfred, Mt. Makomwe, P.B. 93, Odzi  
 1953 p Kawadza, Jonah, P.O. Box 8293, Causeway, Salisbury  
 1953 Kowo, Simon, 1951 Egypt, Highfields, Salisbury  
 1960 Kurewa, John, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.  
 1953 p Kuwana, Elisha, Chitenderano, P.B. 6, Inyazura  
 1958 p Leiknes, Asbjorn, P.O. Mutambara  
 1933 p Machiri, Jonah, Chipfatsura, P.O. Box 97, Odzi  
 1930 p Machiri, Patrick, Gandanzara, P.B. 8084, Rusape  
 1953 p Madzinga, Nason, Nyamuzuwe, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko  
 1948 p Makuto, Daniel, Mrewa Centre, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
 1942 p Mandisodza, Wilson, Muziti, P.B. 8052, Rusape  
 1955 p Matongo, Ezekiel, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba  
 1963 p Matongo, Rudolph, Chakohwa, P.B. C314, Umtali  
 1951 Miller, Charles M., Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1959 p Mudzengerere, David L., Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1962 Munjoma, John, Mt. Union College, Alliance, Ohio  
 1942 p Munjoma, Samuel, Q20, Mzilikazi Township, Bulawayo  
 1954 Murphree, Marshall W. (furlough), 3568 Blanche Ave.,  
 Cleveland Heights, Ohio  
 1962 p Muziti, Josiah, Samanga, P.B. J7125, Umtali  
 1953 p Muzorewa, Abel, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1956 p Muzulu, Samuel, Muchinjike, P.O. Box 21, Mrewa  
 1953 p Nemaungwe, John R., Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands  
 1944 Noah, Raymond (furlough)  
 1948 p Nyamukapa, Patron. P.O. Mutambara  
 1961 p Nyamurowa, Dennison Bible House, P. O. Box 740,  
 Blantyre, Malawi  
 1953 p Otto, Grace, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1953 p Otto, Vivian, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1921 Sells, Ernest L.,  
 1943 p Stine, Ovid, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1955 p Thomas, Norman, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands  
 1954 p Zuze, Solomon, Dindi, P.B. 49, Mrewa

### 3. MINISTERS ON TRIAL

- 1965 p Buwu, William, Chikore, P.B. 56, Headlands  
 1965 Chikanya, Martin, Scandinavian Union Theological Coll.  
 1965 p Kadenge, Fanuel, 1951 Egypt, Highfields, Salisbury  
 1965 p Kurewa, Josiah, Chikwizo, P.B. 504, Mtoko

1965 p Mkasa, Caleb, Makosa, P.O. Mtoko  
 1965 p Nyakuengama, Samson, Munyarari, P.B. C7377, Umtali  
 1964 p Nyanungo, Lovemore, Muradzikwa, P.B. 7014, Umtali  
 1965 p Zhungu, Lamech, Zuze, P.B. 7, Inyazura.

#### **4. LAY MEMBERS**

##### **MREWA DISTRICT**

**Bulawayo:** C. Sgt. Arnold Makombe, p, Block 11/341, Mpopoma, Bulawayo.  
**Chikore-Tanda:** Peter Sangarwe, p, Nyahowe School, P.B. 32, Headlands.  
**Headlands:** Paul Machakaire, p, Magura School, P.B. 25, Headlands.  
**Mrewa Centre:** Bernard Masvaure, p, Mrewa Methodist Centre, P.B. 62, Mrewa.  
**Mrewa East:** Barnabas Chikoore, p, Chiguri School, P.O. Box 10, Mrewa  
**Mrewa North:** Baxton L. Chikoore, p, Nyamashato School, 1953 p Muzorewa, Abel, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1956 p Muzulu, Samuel, Muchinjike, P.O. Box 21, Mrewa  
 1953 p Nemaungwe, John R., Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands  
 1944 Noah, Raymond (furlough) P.O. Box 47, Mrewa.  
**Mrewa South:** J. Katonha, Hokodzi School, P.O. Box 1, Mrewa.  
**Mrewa West:** Goodwill Reginald Gonah, p, Nyamutumbu School, P.B. 645E, Salisbury  
**Salisbury—Harare:** John Sakutombo, p, 37 Mwamuka Street, Harare, Salisbury.  
**Salisbury—Highfields:** David Maringanise, p, M51, Old Highfields, P.O. Highfields, Salisbury.

##### **MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT**

**Chiduku North:** Newton Chiwara, p, Muziti School, P.B. 8052, Rusape.  
**Chiduku South:** S. Musikawanhu, Sharara School, P.O. Box 142, Inyazura.  
**Chizawana:** Wellington Mauye, p, St. Lawrence School, P.B. 8018, Rusape.  
**Gandanzara:** M. Mukambachaza, Chikuruwa School, P.B. 14, Rusape.  
**Inyanga North:** E. T. J. Mupesa, p, Nyamupundira Store, P.B. 5, Juliasdale.  
**Inyanga South:** Zachariah Manditsera, p, M'parutsa School, P.B. 82G, Penhalonga.  
**Makoni:** Columbus Nduna, p, Ndingi School, P.B. 8004, Rusape.  
**Mundenda:** Kingstone Kahlari, p, Marara School, P.B. P7024, Umtali.  
**Nyakatsapa,** Matthew Mataranyika, p, Shona Language School, P.O. Watsonbamba via Umtali.  
**Nyamukwarara:** Kenneth Shinje, p, Wengo School, Box 72G, Penhalonga.  
**Old Umtali:** William Marima, p, P.B. P7024, Umtali.  
**Penhalonga-Odzi:** Dickson Chidzikwe, p, Methodist Church School, P.O. Penhalonga.  
**Rusape-Railway:** Winlow Gombedza, p, P.O. Box 196, Rusape.

**Rusape—Wesley:** Mrs. G. Bays, p, P.O. Rusape.

### **MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT**

**Area C:** Kingstone G. Makwiranzou, p, Shinga School, Area C, P.O. Mtoko.

**Chikwizo:** Martha Ngaufe, Chikwizo School, P.B. 504, Mtoko.

**Maramba-Pfungwe:** Tabitha Masangudza, p, Dindi School, P.B. 49, Mrewa.

**Mtoko East:** Mufambi Nyabote, p, Kawere School, P.O. Mtoko.

**Mtoko North:** Herbert Mutize, p, Nyamukoho School, P.O. Mtoko

**Mtoko South:** Langton Chikukwa, p, Katsukunya School, P.O. Mtoko.

**Mtoko West:** Oswald Mhonda, p, Nyakabau School, P.O. Mtoko

**Nyadiri Centre:** Willie Kawadza, p, B. Ruwodo, p, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

**Nyadiri Circuit:** Michael Zaranyika, p, Manyika School, P.B. 636E, Salisbury.

**Uzumba South:** Nason Kaseke, p, Chikuhwa School, P.O. Box 33, Mrewa.

### **UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT**

**Marange Central:** Elim M. Mukuze, p, Mt. Makomwe School, P.O. Box 93, Odzi.

**Marange North:** Edward Machiri, p, Chipfatsura School, P.O. Box 97, Odzi.

**Marange South:** C. Tsuru, p, Mukwada Store, P.O. Box 196, Umtali.

**Marange West:** Elia Murenzvi, p, Mafararikwa School, Katsidzira Store, P.O. Box 334, Umtali.

**Mutambara Centre:** Kenneth Chikwinya, p, Mutambara Centre, P.O. Mutambara.

**Mutambara East:** Elliot Mukonde, p, Matendeudze School, P.O. Mutambara.

**Mutambara West:** Killian J. C. Mvududu, p, Chakohwa School, P.B. C7314, Umtali.

**Nyanyadzi:** Sebert Gwitira, p, Nyanyadzi School, P.O. Nyanyadzi

**Umtali—Miller Memorial:** Clement Mugochi, p, Methodist Christian Centre, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva.

**Zimunya North:** Patrick Matsikinyire, p, Rowa School, P.B. C7319, Umtali.

**Zimunya South:** Samson Muzulu, p, Munyarari School, P.B. C7377, Umtali.

### **C. OTHER CONFERENCE WORKERS**

#### **1. APPROVED SUPPLY PASTORS**

Chapata, Edward, Mrewa Centre, P.B. 62, Mrewa

Chikodzi, Elia, Maswaure School, P.B. 288, Umtali

Chipaumire, David, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury

Dziwa, Nisbert, Nyanyadzi Methodist Church, P.O. Nyanyadzi

Kajese, Philemon, Shinja School, Area C, Mtoko

Kasiyamhuru, Lazarus, Chikuhwa, P.O. Box 33, Mrewa

Makande, Josiah, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands

Makuto, Joseph, Nyadiri Hospital, P.B. 636E, Salisbury

Marara, Willie, Inyanga Meth. Ch., Dumba Store, P.B. 10, Iny'ga

Masenda, Jarius, Mrewa-Kraal, P.O. Box 10, Mrewa

Matambanadzo, Annual, Mafararikwa, P.B. 334, Umtali

Mhandu, Kenneth, Nyamukwarara Meth. Church,  
 Stapleford Forest Reserve, P.B. 72, Penhalonga  
 Muchanyereyi, J. Morgan, Methodist Church, P.O. Penhalonga  
 Muskwe, Nason, Nyahuku River School, Mtoko,  
 c/o African Stores, Mtoko  
 Mutanga, Evison, Manyika Meth. Church, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 Nderere, John H., Dowa Methodist Church, P.B. 51,  
 Gwangwadza, via Rusape

## **2. DEACONESSES**

Samudzimu, Mrs. E., P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva, Umtali

## **3. MISSIONARIES**

(Year indicates beginning of missionary service in Rhodesia)

### **a. Retired**

- 1952 Aeschliman, Mrs. Myrtle, 2951 Calderwood Lane,  
 Sacramento 21, California, U.S.A.
- 1912 Clark, Grace, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena 6, Calif.
- 1907 Gates, Mrs. H. L. Pickering, Ontario, Canada
- 1923 Gates, Mrs. R. C., Houses of Fellowship, George Apt. 2  
 5 South Partland Ave., Ventnor, N.J.
- 1926 Hanson, Ruth, Siknas, Norrbottens, Lan, Sweden
- 1915 Hess, Stella, Brookes-Howel W.S.C.S. Home,  
 Asheville, North Carolina
- 1950 Jones, Pearl Willis, 500 Faber Dr., Falls Church, Va.
- 1923 King, Sarah, P.O. Box 388, Rt. 2, Fillmore, Calif.
- 1920 Murphree, Mrs. M. J., P.O. Box 108, Oneonta, Alabama
- 1952 Nutting, Clara, 5408 Blackstone Ave., Chicago, 15, Ill.
- 1910 O'Farrell, Mrs. T. A., 417 Kitchell Ave., Pana Illinois.
- 1920 Parmenter, Ona, 275 Robincroft Dr., Pasadena 6, Calif.
- 1929 Pfaff, Jessie, 524 Bennett St., Bottineau, North Dakota
- 1922 Reitz, Beulah, Brookes-Howell W.S.C.S. Home, Asheville,  
 North Carolina
- 1918 Roberts, Mrs. G. A., Penney Farms, Florida, 32079.
- 1921 Sells, Ernest L., First Methodist Church, Wanwatos, Wis.
- 1929 Sells, Mrs. Ernest, First Meth. Church, Wanwatos, Wis.
- 1952 Sheretz, D. Lamar, 2905 Randolph Rd., Silver Springs  
 Maryland.
- 1952 Sheretz, Mrs. D. L. (same as above)
- 1937 Whitney, Alice, 7715 Valmont St., Tayunga, Calif.

### **b. Effective**

- 1951 Anfinson, Odney, P.O. Box 196, Rusape
- 1945 Ashby, Elma, P.B. 636E, Salisbury
- 1961 Bisby, Dorothy, Mutambara, P.O. Mutambara
- 1947 Blomquist, Maj-stina (on furlough)
- 1963 Brancel, Fred, Nyamuzuwe, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko
- 1963 Brancel, Margaret (same as above)
- 1960 Carroll, Seavy, Shona Language School, P.O. Watsomba
- 1960 Carroll, Virginia (same as above)
- 1961 Close, Gerald (on furlough)
- 1961 Close, Miriam (on furlough)
- 1963 Comstock, Marjorie, Mrewa Centre, P.B. 62, Mrewa
- 1961 Curtis, Margaret (on furlough)
- 1961 Deale, Hugh (on furlough)
- 1961 Deale, Marjorie (on furlough)

1960 Dewey, Lloyd (on furlough)  
 1960 Dewey, Joyce (on furlough)  
 1961 Eisenberg, Helen (on furlough)  
 1943 Eriksson, Osta, Epworth Theological College,  
     P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury  
 1961 Finster, William, 140 Fern Rd., P.O. Hatfield, Salisbury  
 1961 Finster, Esther (same as above)  
 1958 Fleshman, George, 38 St. Andrews Rd., P.O. Hatfield, Sby  
 1958 Fleshman, Flora, (same as above)  
 1951 Griffin, Ellabeth, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1947 Hackler, Frances, Mansfield, Texas, USA  
 1963 Hanson, Beth, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1962 Harmon, Roger, 19 Harrow Street, P.O. Avondale, Slby  
 1962 Harmon, Nancy, (same as above)  
 1959 Heyer, Jane, 523 Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois 60506  
 1949 Higgs, Barnie, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1949 Higgs, Mary Phil, (same as above)  
 1961 Hughes, Dorothy, P.O. Box 1192, Kitwe, Zambia  
 1947 Johannson, Margit, Mutambara, P.O. Mutambara  
 1961 Johnson, Rosalie, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1963 Kaemmer, Gloria, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1963 Kalso, Geraldine, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1960 Kauffman, Robert (on furlough)  
 1960 Kauffman, Marjorie (on furlough)  
 1950 Kinyon, Wallace (on furlough)  
 1950 Kinyon, Eunice (on furlough)  
 1959 Landin, Ernest, Nyamuzuwe, P.O. Box 57, Mtoko  
 1959 Landin, Alice, (same as above)  
 1954 Larsen, Jenny, (on furlough)  
 1948 Leiknes, Astrid, Mutambara, P.O. Mutambara  
 1955 Lind, Ruth, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1962 Martiny, Joanne (on furlough)  
 1956 Matzigkeit, Everett, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1956 Matzigkeit, Ruth, (same as above)  
 1954 Miller, Ellen, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1962 Morosani, Erica, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1955 Murphree, Betty Jo (on furlough)  
 1964 Nelvig, Margaret, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1961 Noah, Cleo (on furlough)  
 1938 Parks, Edith (on furlough)  
 1960 Perry, Jim, Shady Dale, Georgia  
 1960 Perry, Caroline (same as above)  
 1953 Piburn, Marvin, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1953 Piburn, Carolyn (same as above)  
 1963 Plumb, William, Mrewa, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
 1963 Plumb, Dorothy, (same as above)  
 1961 Post, Bernice, Sunnyside Homecraft, P.O. Mutambara  
 1946 Roberts, Tudor, Mutambara, P.O. Mutambara  
 1946 Roberts, Emily, (same as above)  
 1957 Roed, Elsie, Enerbaervej 3, Risskov, Denmark  
 1962 Rudy, Donald, Mutambara, P.O. Mutambara  
 1962 Rudy, Ruth, (same as above)  
 1952 Russell, Esther, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1957 Schevenius, John, Mrewa, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
 1957 Schevenius, Ruth, (same as above)

1925 Scovill, Ila, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1962 Short, Joanne (on furlough)  
 1955 Simonsson, Bengt, P.O. Box 1319, Kitwe, Zambia  
 1955 Somonsson, Marta, (same as above)  
 1943 Stine, Mava, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 1951 Sweeney, Ellen, 4035 Cheviot Dr., Louisville, Kentucky  
 1961 Taylor, Claggett, Mrewa, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
 1961 Taylor, Patricia, (same as above)  
 1947 Taylor, Mildred, Hosgood Avenue, Umtali  
 1961 Temperly, Joanne (on furlough)  
 1961 Thomas, Winnie, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands  
 1962 Watson, Raymond, Nyadiri, P.B. 636E, Salisbury  
 1962 Watson, Vivian (same as above)  
 1960 Way, Jane (on furlough)  
 1961 Whanger, Alan (on furlough)  
 1961 Whanger, Mary (on furlough)  
 1961 Wild, Patricia (on furlough)

#### 4. SPECIAL WORKERS

Gazeley, Mrs. Wilhelmina, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. Emmett, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 Kenney, Charles, Mrewa, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
 Letts, Miss Fay, Mrewa, P.B. 62, Mrewa  
 O'Brien, Roger, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 Porteous, Miss Anna, Old Umtali, P.B. P7024, Umtali  
 Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. John, P.B. P7024, Umtali

## II. BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

### 1. CABINET

Bishop, administrative assistant, district superintendents, secretary of Board of Education.

### 2. BOARD OF FINANCE AND COORDINATION

Bishop (chairman)

Ministers	Laymen	Laywomen
1. A. Muzorewa	E. Mutasa	Mrs. D. Mudzengerere
2. J. Chidzikwe	W. Marima	Miss M. Deyo
3. D. Nyamurowa	N. Gandanzara	Mrs. S. Munjoma
4. K. Eriksson	G. Gonah	Mrs. E. Griffin
5. M. Murphree	S. Chibanda	Mrs. P. Nyamukapa
6. H. Griffin	M. Mataranyika	Mrs. M. Chikwinya

#### Alternates

1. D. Mudzengerere	B. Mutambara	Mrs. R. Kapenzi
2. S. Kowo	P. Molife	Mrs. J. Katsande
3. J. Jijita	G. Fleshman	Miss M. Taylor
4. N. Chiwota	K. Mvududu	Mrs. E. Kinyon
5. M. Ball	A. Dangarembga	Mrs. M. Murphree
6. S. Muzulu	M. Piburn	Mrs. O. Mufudza

Ex-officio members: Administrative assistants, district superintendents, Conference Treasurer.

## **A. First Group**

### **1. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, HOME & FAMILY LIFE**

Abel Muzorewa (Chm), Margaret Brancel (V. Chm), R. Chimonyo (Sec), Barnabas Chikooore, Langton Chikukwa, Newton Chiwara, Margaret Curtis, Larry Eisenberg, William Huni, Elliot Jijita, Nason Kaseke, Alfred Katsande, J. Matenga, Ruth Matzigkeit, Mrs. O. Mufudza, Mrs. Moses M'parutsa, Martha Musiyari-ra, Elia Saburi, Mrs. E. Samudzimu, Patricia Taylor, Lamech Zhungu, C.E. director, C.E. workers, 2 RRW chairwomen, MYF Pres., Sec. and advisors.

### **2. EDUCATION**

D.S. of Mrewa District; 3 ministers—Samule Munjoma, David Mudzengerere, Ovid Stine; 3 principals—of Old Umtali, Mrewa, Nyadiri; 2 post-six headmasters—of Nyamuzuwe, Mutambara; 2 school managers—Winlow Gombedza, Benjamin G. Mutambara; 4 at large—Naboth Gandanzara, Mrs. Jonah Chitombo, Roger Harmon, Asbjorn Leiknes, Matthew Mataranyika.

### **3. WORSHIP AND MUSIC**

Martin Chiza (Chm), William Buwu (Sec), Marcia Ball, Lennart Blomquist, Maj-stina Blomquist, Richard Chikosi, Kenneth Chikwinya, Jonah Chitombo, Kare Eriksson, Philemon Gurupira, Mary Phil Higgs, John Kaemmer, Robert Kauffman, Marjorie Kauffman, Jonah Kawadza, David Matanga, Patrick Matsikinyiri, Samuel Munjoma, J. Kowo.

## **B. Second Group**

### **1. LAY ACTIVITIES**

William Marima (V. Chm), Goodwill Gonah (Sec), Baxton Chikooore, Langton Chikukwa, Newton Chiwara, Lazarus Jaji, Kingstone Kahlari, J. Kanjanda, Nason Kaseke, J. Katonha, J. Kowo, Ernest Landin, Paul Machakaire, Zachariah Manditsera, David Maenzanise, A. Makwarimba, James Matanhire, K. Matanhire, Everett Matzigkeit, M. Mukambachaza, A. Mukombe, Elliott Mukonde, Isaac Musamba, S. Musikavanhu, Killian Mvududu, M. Ngaufe, Rezen Nyamapfene, E. Nyamupanda, William Plumb, Donald Rudy, Anderson Rusike, Peter Sangarwe, district lay leaders.

## **2. MEMOIRS**

C. Tsuro (Sec), Amon Kajese, Nason Madzinga, Annual Matambanadzo, Elisha Kuwana, John Nemaungwe.

## **3. MINISTRY**

Class of 1966—Kenneth Choto, Jonah Kawadza, Samuel Muzulu, Ovid Stine.

Class of 1967—Davidson Chikosi, Abel Muzorewa, Hunter Griffin (Sec), John Jijita.

Class of 1968—Josiah Chidzikwe (Chm), Kare Eriksson, Samuel Munjoma, Ezekiel Matongo, Vivian Otto.

## **4. COMMUNICATIONS**

Marcia Ball (Chm), Evison Chikwanha, David Chino-gurei, Thomas Curtis, Jonah Chitombo, Larry Eisenberg, Johnstone Gurure, Mary Phil Higgs, Elliot Jijita, Morgan Johnson, Eunice Kinyon, Ezekiel Makunike, David Matanga, Everett Matzigkeit, Carver M'parutsa, Morgan Muchanyereyi, J. Mukurazhizha, C. Nyabvure, Samson Nyakuengama, Elia Saburi, David Samudzimu, Norman Thomas, Claggett Taylor, Caleb Zisengwe (Sec).

## **5. STUDENT LOAN**

William Marima (Chm), Joseph Bisby, Nason Chigubu, Jonah Chitombo, Helen Eisenberg, Barnie Higgs, Rodwell Kambarami, Dorcas Chinofukutwa, Jonah Machiri, Edward Mazaiwana, P. Molife, Josiah Muziti, Samuel Munjoma, Lovemore Nyanungo, Grace Otto, Emily Roberts, John Schevinus, Knight Sitole, Lamech Zhungu.

# **C. Third Group**

## **1. AGRICULTURE**

David Maenzanise (Chm), Wallace Kinyon (Sec), John Chitombo, Naboth Gandanzara, Daniel Makuto, L. Makonde, Willie Marara, T. Masangudza, Kenneth Mhandu, David Mudzengerere, E. Mupesa, D. Mushapaidze, Herbert Mutize, W. Plumb, Tudor Roberts, C. Tsuro, Solomon Zuze.

## **2. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS**

Goodwill Gonah (Chm), Evison Chikwanha (Sec), Richard Chikosi, Dickson Chidzikwe, Hugh Deale,



Nason Dikanifuwa, Helen Eisenberg, Coriless Hanson, Lazarus Jaji, Morgan Johnson, Fanuel Kadenge, Milton Kalso, A. Kaseke, Simon Kowo, Josiah Kurewa, Asbjorn Leiknes, Roger Harmon, William Finster, S. Mabambe, Paul Machakaire, David Maringamise, Rudolph Matongo, Patrick Matsikinyire, Everett Matzigkeit, P. Molife, Abel Muzorewa, C. Nyabvure, M. Nyaboto, Claggett Taylor, Joanne Temperly, Norman Thomas, Matthew Wakatama.

### **3. DEACONESS**

Mrs. Jonah Chitombo (Chm), Beth Griffin (Sec), Maj-stina Blomquist, Osta Eriksson, Mrs. P. Kemp, Jenny Larsen, Ruth Lind, Vivian Otto, M. Ngaufe, E. Samudzimu, Lydia Zimonte.

### **4. HISTORICAL**

Hunter Griffin (Chm), John Schevenius (Sec), Lennart Blomquist, George Fleshman, Eunice Kinyon, Wilson Mandisodza, J. Mawoyo, Charles Miller, Caleb Mkasa, Ferris Tsopotsa, Pastor of Old Umtali.

### **5. MEDICAL**

Medical superintendent (or nurse in charge) of each hospital, Matron or nurse in charge of each hospital, hospital administrator at Nyadiri, district superintendents, one dentist, five members at large: Medical—Winnie Makawa, Mrs. Betty Kaseke; non-medical—Nason Chigubu, Langton Chikukwa, William Marima.

## ***B. Fourth Group***

### **1. NGARIENDE**

Ovid Stine (Chm), John Jijita (V. Chm), Martin Chiza (Sec), Hunter Griffin (Treas), Lazarus Jaji, Milton Kalso, Josiah Kurewa, Mrs. David Mudzengerere, Marshall Murphree, Killian Mvududu, Mrs. Lydia Zimonte, John Shevenius, Caleb Zisengwe, and the district superintendents.

### **2. NOMINATIONS**

David Mudzengerere (Chm), Nathaniel Chiwota (Sec), Marcia Ball, Josiah Chidzikwe, Thomas Curtis, Lennart Blomquist, Hunter Griffin, Abel Muzorewa, Samuel Munjoma.

### **3. PENSIONS AND CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS**

Class of 1966—Peter Bwawa, Asbjorn Leiknes, Samuel Munjoma.

Class of 1967—Kare Eriksson, Philemon Gurupira, Nason Madzinga.

Class of 1968—Nason Dikanifuwa, Hunter Griffin, Elliot Mukonde.

### **4. ECUMENICAL RELATIONS**

Bishop or his Asst., Baxton Chikoore, Davidson Chikosi, Nathaniel Chiwota, Kenneth Choto, Thomas Curtis, Larry Eisenberg, Kare Eriksson, George Fleshman, Goodwill Gonah, Beth Griffin, Samuel Munjoma, Arnold Makombe, Isaac Musamba, Benjamin Mutambara, John Nderere, Patron Nyamukapa, Dennison Nyamurowa, Vivian Otto, John Shryock.

### **5. HILLTOP BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

1966—Umtali South District Superintendent

1967—Jonah Chitombo

### **6. AFRICAN GIRLS' HOSTEL COMMITTEE**

Umtali South District Superintendent, pastors of St. Andrews and Hilltop churches, directress of the hostel, matron of the hostel, directress of the Fairfield girl's work (O.U.), directress of Mutambara girl's work (with power to co-opt).

## ***Others***

### **1. TRUSTEES**

Class of 1966—Conference treasurer, Grace Otto, Elijah Chimbganda, Ezekiel Matongo.

Class of 1967—Field Treasurer, John Jijita, Jonah Kawadza, Benjamin G. Mutambara.

Class of 1968—Conference Secretary, Ovid Stine, Fred Brancel.

### **2. SHONA LANGUAGE STUDY COMMITTEE**

Abel Muzorewa (Chm), pastor at Nyakatsapa, D.S. of Mtasa-Makoni Dist., Mrs. H. Griffin, Bernie Higgs, Milton Kalso, N. Mutambara, Grace Otto, Mildred Taylor, Director of Language School (ex-officio).

### **COMMITTEES FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

DAILY PROCEEDINGS: (To be nominated annually)

PROGRAMME: Conf. Sec. (Chm), D.S., pastor and chairman of station where Annual Conference is to be held.

**RESOLUTIONS:** Nason Dikanifuwa, Anderson Rusike, S. Gwitira, K. Shenje, John Kaemmer, Killian Mvududu.

**PRIVILEGES:** (to be nominated annually)

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

#### **1 CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION**

Josiah Chidzikwe (Chm), Norman Thomas (Sec), Baxton Chikoore, Kare Eriksson, Naboth Gandanzara, Ezekiel Matongo, Marshall Murphree, Isaac Musamba, Abel Muzorewa, Patron Nyamukapa.

#### **2. CONFERENCE HOSPITALITY**

Samuel Munjoma (Chm), Mrs. Hunter Griffin (Sec), Langton Chikukwa, Mrs. T. Kuture, William Marima, David Mudzengerere, Patron Nyamukapa, Mrs. J. Shevenius.

### **REPRESENTATIVES AND DELEGATES**

#### **1. Methodist Council**

Bishop or his assistant, Baxton Chikoore, Coriless Hanson, Patron Nyamukapa. Alternates: Lennart Blomquist, Larry Eisenberg, Vivian Otto, Anderson Rusike.

#### **2 .Joint Theological Training Council**

Class of 1966—2 African ministers plus alternate: Kenneth Choto, Davidson Chikosi; alt. Simon Kowo.

Class of 1967—1 African layman: Richard Chikosi, alt., David Maringanise. 1 European layman; Claggett Taylor, alt., Gerald Close. 1 European woman: Marcia Ball; alt., Mildred Taylor.

Class of 1968—2 European ministers plus alternate: Hans Anfinssen, Charles Miller; alt. Milton Kalso.

#### **3. Fraternal Delegates**

**SYNOD:** Alfred Katsande, alt. Solomon Zuze, Milton Kalso, alt. William Plumb  
Mrs. E. Samudzimu, alt. Martha Musiyarira

**UNITED CHURCH:** Hans Anfinssen, alt. N. Tholana

**AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH:** Samuel Munjoma, alt. Arnold Makombe

**EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION:** Mildred Taylor, Ezekiel Matongo

MOZAMBIQUE CONFERENCE: Abel Muzorewa,  
alt. Davidson Chikosi

4. **Rhodesia Christian Council—Human Relations Conference**  
Abel Muzorewa, Charles Miller, David Mudzengerere, Reginald Ngonyama, Mrs. Fred Brancel, Alexander Chibanguza; Alternates: R. Chimonyo, Winnie Makawa, Mrs. M. Piburn, Mr. Chagama.

### LEADERS OF ORGANIZATIONS

#### Christian Convention, South

Matthew Mataranyika (Chm), Elliot Jijita (V. chm), William Marima (Sec), Josiah Muziti (V. Sec), Solomon Zuze (Treas).

#### Methodist Youth Fellowship (M.Y.F.)

Lazarus Jaji (pres), Samuel Mwadiambira (V. pres). Olivia Mukuna (Sec), Smart Madzande (Treas), Edgar Chambara (Publicity-Sec); Advisors: Mrs. D. Mudzengerere, David Samudzimu, Alexander Chibanguza.

#### Rukwadzano rwe Vadzimai

NORTHERN: Mesdames D. Mudzengerere (Chm), D. Chikosi (V-Chm), T. Kuture (Sec), J. B. Jijita (Vice-Sec).

SOUTHERN: Mesdames Enock Munjoma (Chm), E. Jangano (V-Chm), L. Zimonte (Sec), S. Munjoma (Vice-Sec).

Treasurer for both sections—Mrs. Amon Kajese.

#### Vabvuwi

NORTHERN: P. Mutize (Chm), N. Muskwe (V-Chm), P. Kabunze (Sec), J. Kanoyangwa (Treas), Jonah Kawadza (Advisor).

SOUTHERN: Caleb Zisengwe (Chm), P. K. Mudiwa (Vice-Chm), A. Magwere (Sec), R. Chitakatira (Vice-Sec), Naboth Gandanzara (Treas), Jonah Chitombo (Advisor).

#### Missionary Committee

William C. Finster, (Chm), Coriless Hanson, (Sec), Margery Deale, Mildred Taylor, Kare Eriksson, Raymond Watson, J. Claggett Taylor, Astra Eriksson, E. Matzigkeit, Asbjorn Leiknes, (two vacancies). Ex-officio—R. Dodge, Jonah Kawadza, John Shryock.

#### Ministers' Committee

John Jijita ((Pres), Nathaniel Chiwota (Sec).

## **P a r t     I I I**

### **Rhodesia Annual Conference**

#### **Twenty-Seventh Session**

#### **DAILY PROCEEDINGS**

**MONDAY, 3 MAY, 1965—OPENING COMMUNION—7:30 P.M.**

After the welcome to all present by the host lay leader Mr. W. Marima, Rev. Jonah Kawadza preached on the witnesses to Christ, especially Mary Magdalene and the centurion. Bishop Escrivas Zunguze, assisted by the Revs. Chikosi, Nyamukapa, Curtis, Kawadza, Madzinga and the host pastor, Rev. Muzorewa administered the Holy Communion.

**TUESDAY, 4 MAY, 1965 — DEVOTIONS — 8:30 A.M.**

Bishop Zunguze announced that he would base his morning messages on the quadrennial emphasis of the Church—"One Witness in One World." After reading Ephesians 1: 15-23, the Bishop spoke on the lordship of Jesus Christ. When we write "1965 A.D.," we crown Christ as the Lord of History. He should be our final authority. Once we accept the lordship of Christ, we shall accept the brotherhood of man.

**FIRST BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.**

1. **PROGRAMME OF CONFERENCE:** The printed programme was accepted as the official programme of the Conference.

2. **ROLL CALL:** The roll of Conference was called by the secretary. The matter of the number of lay and ministerial delegates was referred to the Committee on Reorganization.

3. **WORDS OF WELCOME:** The following welcomed all to the Conference: Matthew Mataranyika, district lay leader; Rev. Thomas Curtis, district superintendent of the Mtasa-Makoni District. The Rev. Jonah Kawadza, the administrative assistant, introduced Bishop Zunguze.

4. PRESENTATION OF GUESTS: The following guests were presented: B. Navess, Secretary of the South-East Africa Conference, Captain D. Rader of the Salvation Army located in Zambia; Mr. and Mrs. Bays, delegates from the Wesley Church in Rusape.

5. GREETINGS: Greetings from the following were received: Bishop and Mrs. Dodge, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Miller, Rev and Mrs. Marshall W. Murphree. The Secretary was instructed to cable greetings and best wishes to Bishop and Mrs. Dodge.

6. BAR OF CONFERENCE: The first ten rows of the church were established as the bar of the Conference for voting members.

7. ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY: Marcia Ball was elected as an assistant to the secretary.

8. DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORT: Rev. Thomas Curtis read the report which summarized the work of the conference and the districts during the past year, and gave plans for a literature emphasis for 1965-66.

9 DAILY PROCEEDINGS: Matthew Mataranyika and Coriless Hanson were chosen to approve the minutes of the daily proceedings.

10. NGARIENDE: Rev. Hunter Griffin, the Executive Secretary, read the report.

Item 13 was referred to the Committee on Reorganization.

The amendment to item 14, presented by Kare Eriksson, to guarantee Conference support for an evangelist-teacher or a medical orderly to be sent to Bechuanaland was approved.

Rev. Nason Madzinga and William Finster gave the report on the proposed church extension program for the Mtoko-Nyadiri District. The report was approved as amended.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: The Christian Conquest Quartet ministered through music. Captain Rader challenged us to a full, obedient and victorious life through

Jesus Christ. He illustrated through graph sketches the importance of spiritual growth, and the danger of decline in spiritual life.

## SECOND BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

11. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION, SOUTH: The report was given by William Marima and was accepted.

Item 3 was referred to the Board of Education.

Item 4 was referred to the Board of Pensions.

12. ECUMENICAL RELATIONS: Vivian Otto read the report, which was accepted.

13. DISMISSAL TIME: This was set at 5:30 p.m. for the afternoon sessions.

## WEDNESDAY, 5 MAY, 1965

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Zunguze spoke on Ephesians, Chapter 2, about the lordship of Jesus Christ—*One People Under One God*. We need to unite and carry one message of our one Lord to all people. Christ's indwelling spirit impells us by His love to be obedient to the call to be one with Him, and to bring all to know Him as Lord of life.

## THIRD BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

14. PRESENTATION OF GUESTS: Rev. Jonah Kawadza presented Rev. A. M. Ndhlela, the General Superintendent of the Methodist Synod. He brought greetings from the Synod, and spoke of a desire for a closer union with the Conference. Rev. Ndhlela in turn presented Rev. R. Rabey from Marandellas, Rev. S. Chihota from Epworth Circuit, and Rev. R. Rushworth from Umtali. Mr. Matzigkeit introduced Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett of the Literature Clearing House, Mindolo Ecumenical Centre, Kitwe.

15. BAR OF CONFERENCE: The first seven rows have now been established as the bar of the Conference for voting members.

16. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Rev. N. Chiwota presented the report which was referred back to the committee for re-working.

17. PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE: Rev. D. Mudzengerere announced the names of Samuel Muzulu and Grace Otto to serve on the Committee of Privileges.

18. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. N. Thomas and Rev. A. Muzorewa presented the report and introduced the district Christian Education workers. Two new leaders were presented: Rev. E. Jijita (Mtasa District) and L. Zhungu (Makoni District). The report was accepted.

19. WORSHIP AND MUSIC: Rev. M. Ball presented the report. The item recommending that we change the title "Ndwiyo Dzevu" given to the collection of African Songs was not approved and was deleted.

20. PRESENTATION AND DEDICATION OF THE NEW HYMNAL: Rev. J. Kaemmer presented a new Hymn Book to Bishop Zunguze who gave a prayer of dedication.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Captain Rader continued the theme of Growth and Life. He graphically illustrated the experiences that come to us and how important it is to make the right responses in order to grow. The important thing is not where we are in our Christian life, but where we are going. Are we growing and drawing closer to God?

#### FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

21. BOARD OF EDUCATION: Mr. S. Kundishora read the report.

An amendment was made to item 15 (1) that we open a Secondary School at Mt. Makomwe in 1966 providing it is approved by the Ministry of Education and that staffing is available.

The following was added to Item 6, "that the school managers are to submit the names of those who say they have repaid their loans to the Student Loan Fund."

22. BOARD OF TRUSTEES: The report was read by Rev. O. Stine and the recommendations were unanimously accepted.

23. AUDIT: Mr. Kundishora read the report and it was adopted.



THURSDAY, 6 MAY, 1965

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Zunguze read Ephesians 4: 11-13 and spoke on the theme *One People with One Witness*. He stressed unity not uniformity, but unity in diversity whereby each one is enriched by the exchange. Our One Lord is the Unifying One who helps us to make our one witness in this One World in order that we all share in building His Kingdom.

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE REPORT: The report, given by Mr. G. Gonah, was accepted.

24. CONFERENCE TREASURER: Mr. I. Musamba read a letter from the auditors and gave an oral report which was accepted. It was agreed that in the future a report on the Pension Fund will be given by the treasurer.

25. CONFERENCE RE-ORGANIZATION: Rev. Kawa-dza presented the following items which were referred to the Committee on Re-Organization for study: —

(a) the question of the feasibility and desirability of increasing the number of Districts within the Rhodesia Annual Conference to five. (This report will be brought to the 1966 Conference).

(b) that the Cabinet be changed to include only those members listed below: the four District Superintendents, the Administrative Assistant, the Executive Secretary of the Board of Education.

26. APPRECIATION: Mr. E. Mupesa gave thanks to the bishop and the Conference for the interest in the work that is going on in Inyanga North through the efforts of the District Superintendents, Rev. T. Curtis and Rev. O. Stine.

27. BOFAC BUDGET: After an introduction by the chairman, Rev. K. Eriksson, the report was presented by Rev. H. Griffin. The following additions were made.

(a) Item number 4 on page one was amended by adding the following to the end of the first sentence, "for those circuits receiving assistance from these funds."

(b) The matter of adequate money for Pastors' School was referred to BOFAC for re-consideration for the 1966-67 budget.

28. WORDS OF FAREWELL: Rev. A. Ndhlela, Rev. R. Rabey, and Rev. S. Chihota gave their farewell and appreciation for the opportunity of attending the Conference sessions.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Captain Rader continued with the theme of living an abounding, overcoming life of faith. Do we live a life on the level God intends for us, or do we conform to the society in which we find ourselves? We are called to cleansing, completeness and concord in Christ, this is only possible when every area of our life is surrendered to God.

#### SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

29. BOFAC BUDGET: (continued)

The BOFAC budgets were accepted. It was moved that duplicated copies be distributed but that they not be printed for the Conference Journal. The first page only will appear in the Journal.

It was moved and accepted that the BOFAC Budget Committee draw up a summary report of the Conference Treasurer's report for presentation.

30. CONFERENCE STATISTICIAN: A graphic report was given by Rev. J. Bisby. It was moved and accepted that the District Superintendents and the new statistician revise the record form for listing church statistics.

31. CHRISTIAN CONVENTION, NORTH: Mr. B. Chikoore read the report which was accepted.

32. BOARD OF THE MINISTRY: Rev. H. Griffin read the report which was accepted.

33. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS: Disciplinary questions Section B, 8-24 were taken up and answered. New members received on trial were: L. Zhungu, J. Kurewa, W. Buwu, F. Kadenge, C. Mukasa, S. Nyakuengama. The following were admitted into full connection: J. Gurure, J. Muziti and R. Matongo.

34. IN REMEMBRANCE: Rev. K. Eriksson led in prayer as we remembered the passing of Rev. Mukombiwa and Rev. R. C. Gates and what their lives and work have meant to the Conference.

35. RECOGNITION: Rev. T. Curtis recognized the fine work being done in our Conference by the O.U.B.I. graduates of 1964: W. Marara, J. Nderere, M. Musiyarira and D. Chinofukutwa.

36. CHRISTIAN HOME AND FAMILY LIFE: Mr. E. Saburi read the report which was adopted. Item number 5 on "lobola" was referred to the District Conferences. Item number 6 was referred to the Board of Christian Education.

37. BOARD OF COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. E. Makunike read the report which was approved.

#### SEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:30 P.M.

38. DISMISSAL EVENING SESSIONS: Nine o'clock was set as the closing time for the evening sessions.

39. MEMOIRS: Mr. Tuso read the report which was accepted.

40. BOARD OF PENSIONS AND CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS: Rev. S. Muzulu read the report which was accepted.

41. EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION: Rev. T. Curtis read the report which was accepted.

42. STUDENT LOAN: The report was read by W. Marima and adopted.

43. BOARD OF DEACONESSES: V. Otto read the report which was adopted.

44. MATTERS OF ORGANIZATION: (a) It was voted that the Conference reports be printed in both English and Shona. (b) It was voted that 200 copies of the Conference Journal be printed, and that BOFAC be requested to add £38-18-0 to the appropriation for the Conference Journal to meet the £135-0-0 cost.

#### FRIDAY, 7 MAY, 1965

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Zunguze read Ephesians 3:14-21, and spoke on *Oneness in the Local Church* and the need to dwell together in unity. Division is the greatest enemy of the Church. The secret of unity is the Presence of the Indwelling Christ whose love binds us together in holy fellowship.

#### EIGHTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

45. GREETINGS: Rev. Muzorewa brought greetings

from Rev. and Mrs. J. Kurewa studying at Garrett Biblical Institute, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Sells, Rev. and Mrs. R. Hughes, Rev. M. Mparutsa, and Rev. S. Aldrich.

46. DAILY PROCEEDINGS: On motion of Rev. C. Hanson the daily proceedings to date as duplicated were approved.

47. CONFERENCE CALENDAR COMMITTEE: Mr. M. Mataranyika and Rev. C. Hanson were appointed to serve on the Calendar Committee.

48. RUKWADZANO (NORTH and SOUTH): The reports of the Rukwadzano rweWadzimai were read by Mrs. Mudzengerere. These reports were adopted.

49. WABVUWI (NORTH and SOUTH): These reports were read by Mr. C. Zisengwe. They were adopted. Mr. Zisengwe presented a Wabvuwi pin to Bishop Zunguze.

50. MEDICAL ACTIVITIES: Dr. Mtasa gave an introduction and then Mr. R. Watson read the report. It was moved and adopted that number 13, sections (d) and (i), be held until the Committee on Conference Re-Organization gives its report. The report was amended, then adopted.

51. METHODIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Mr. J. Schevenius presented the report which was adopted.

NOONDAY DEVOTIONS: Captain Rader opened his message with the statement "We all want to be used by God, but are we as useable as God would have us to be?" He emphasized the meaning of the Cross in our experience. Our lives are to be channels, open to God, so that others may find God.

#### NINTH BUSINESS SESSION—2:00 P.M.

52. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS: Mr. E. Chikwaha presented the report. The resolution opposing chiefs going into Parliament was deleted. The resolution concerning the R. Noahs was deleted. The report was then accepted.

53. M.Y.F.: S. Mwandiambira, the Conference M.Y.F. Vice President presented the report. The matter of having a full-time Director of Youth Work was referred to the cabinet. The report was adopted.

54. AGRICULTURE: The report, read by Mr. W. Kinyon, was adopted.

55. INTRODUCTIONS: Dr. E. Johnson introduced Dr. W. Hinson from the States, who will teach one term at Epworth Theological College. Rev. K. Eriksson welcomed Dr. C. Rogers a visiting minister from Elgin, Ill.

56. WORDS OF FAREWELL: Mr. L. Dewey gave words of farewell as he and his family leave on furlough.

57. CONFERENCE RE-ORGANIZATION: The report was read by Rev. J. Chidzikwe. It was agreed that the item on membership of Ngariende be deleted. Item 6 was referred to the Committee studying the hospitality of Conference. Items 1-6 were adopted.

#### SATURDAY 8 MAY, 1965

MORNING DEVOTIONS: Bishop Zunguze interpreted Acts 1: 4-11 and emphasized the idea of *The Power to Witness*. The trouble with the church today is that the people are good but powerless. When we are filled with the Spirit of God we *must* witness. *All* believers must be empowered by His Spirit in order to fulfill His ministry today.

#### TENTH BUSINESS SESSION—9:00 A.M.

58. NOMINATIONS: Rev. N. Chiwota presented the report. In Item number one it was agreed that the first six names listed would be the principle members and the last four names listed to be the alternates. A few additions were made; then the report was adopted.

59. ORGANIZATION OF JOURNAL: It was moved and adopted that full names be used for entries in the Journal.

60. DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE IN 1966: It was voted that the ministerial delegate, to the 1964 General Conference, Rev. J. Chidzikwe, and the Lay delegate alternate, Mr. I. Musamba, go to the 1966 special session of the General Conference.

61. ORDER OF THE DAY: It was agreed that after recess committees will meet, and Conference session will be resumed at four o'clock.

62. APPRECIATION: Rev. J. Kawadza thanked Captain Rader for his helpful devotions throughout the week.

NONDAY DEVOTIONS: Captain Rader spoke on communicating God's message. He used a tape to demonstrate how a message can be distorted through poor connections, double talk, interference, etc. The Holy Spirit interprets the message to our hearts and gives us the power to share it with others when we are fully surrendered to God.

#### ELEVENTH BUSINESS SESSION—4:00 P.M.

63. ANNOUNCEMENT: Plans for a Womens' Conference to be held at Ranche House College, Sept 11-13, were announced by Rev. M. Ball, chairman of the Womens' Conference.

64. GREETINGS : Rev. J. Kawadza read greetings from Miss M. Deyo.

65. MEMOIRS (Cont.): Rev. A. Muzorewa brought an additional report for the committee on Memoirs concerning the passing of Miss Frances Quinton, a former missionary at Old Umtali. Miss I. Scovill led in a prayer of remembrance.

66. SHONA LANGUAGE STUDY: Mr. M. Mataranyika, Director of Shona Language School gave the report, Miss M. Taylor read the recommendations which were adopted.

67. LAY ACTIVITIES: The report was read by Mr. G. Gonah and adopted with the deletion of the item on prohibiting children of unmarried mothers from being baptized.

68. DAILY PROCEEDINGS: On motion of Mr. M. Mataranyika the daily proceedings to date as duplicated were approved.

69. INTRODUCTIONS: Mr. W. Kinyon introduced Mr. E. Mazaiwana the Circuit Inspector of Umtali Central Area.

70. CONFERENCE HOSPITALITY: Mrs. H. Griffin read the report which was adopted.

71. VABVUWI, NORTH: Mr. W. Kawadza read the report. We request the Vabvuwi North to reconsider the choice of an advisor.

72. PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: Rev. K. Eriksson presented the amendments which were voted on as follows: No. 13 through No. 17—aye 73; No 0.

73. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE: Rev. A. Muzorewa added the names of Rev. J. Kaemmer and Mr. K. Mvududu to the Resolutions Committee.

74. GREETINGS: Rev. T. Curtis brought greetings from the Zive-Zano Group.

75. APPRECIATION: Rev. J. Kawadza thanked Bishop Zunguze for his fine leadership throughout the Conference, and presented him with a gavel. Bishop Zunguze responded with words of appreciation.

76. MINUTES: On motion of Rev. K. Eriksson, it was approved that the secretarial staff amend and correct the minutes, that the Conference is officially closed after the reading of the appointments, and that the Journal become the official record of this Conference.

77. SUNDAY SESSION: On motion of Rev. K. Eriksson, a Sunday evening session beginning at 7:30 p.m. was approved.

#### **SUNDAY 9 MAY, 1965**

6:30 A.M. RUMUKO: Mrs. A. Kajese led the prayer service.

8:30 A.M. ORDINATION SERVICE: Bishop Zunguze ordained the following persons—Deacons: W. Buwu, L. Zhungu, J. Gurure, F. Kadenge, C. Mukasa, S. Nyakuengama, J. I. Kurewa, L. Nyamungu, R. Matongo, J. Muziti. ELDER: D. Nyamuruwa.

Rev. A. Muzorewa presented the following persons to the Conference and read the names of those unable to be present, and words of appreciation were expressed by Rev. J. Kawadza.

*Retiring Ministers:* Rev. P. Machiri, Rev. L. Chieza.

*Retiring Missionary:* Miss I. Scovill.

*Students returned from study overseas:* Mr. and Mrs. T.

Chitsiku, Mr. and Mrs. A. Chibanguza, Mr. and Mrs. D. Mungazi, Mr. and Mrs. E. Makunike, Mrs. Rudo Mandizha, Mr. Basil Muzorewa, Mr. A. Zaranyika.

*New Missionaries:* Dr. W. Nelvig, Dr. W. Hinson (on special assignment to Epworth Theological College).

*Returned from furlough:* Mr. and Mrs. G. Fleshman, Mr. and Mrs. E. Landin, Rev. and Mrs. A. Leiknes, Rev. and Mrs. H. Anfinson.

*Leaving on furlough or transfer:* Rev. and Mrs. L. Blomquist, Dr. and Mrs. G. Close, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dewey, Rev. and Mrs. E. Heyer, Rev. and Mrs. L. Eisenberg, Rev. and Mrs. R. Hughes, Rev. and Mrs. M. Murphree, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Sells, Mr. and Mrs. C. Le Masters, Mr. and Mrs. R. Kauffman, Dr. and Mrs. A. Whanger, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kinyon, Rev. and Mrs. T. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. B. Higgs, Mr. S. Paulsen, Miss S. Himes, Miss G. Boyd, Miss J. Larson, Miss J. Martiny, Miss E. Parks, Miss J. Short, Miss J. Temperly, Miss I. Scovill, Miss E. Russell, Mrs. B. Post.

## TWELFTH BUSINESS SESSION—1:45 P.M.

78. SUNDAY SESSION: It was agreed that we reverse the action made at last session, and make this noon session a duly constituted session of Conference.

79. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS: Questions 1-7 and 25-33 were taken up and answered. An invitation for the 1966 Conference was received from Nyadiri. This was accepted.

80. APPRECIATION: Rev. A. Muzorewa expressed the appreciation of the Conference to the following: (a) Rev. H. Griffin and Rev. T. Curtis for their work on the Programme Committee. (b) Secretarial assistants—Rev. N. Thomas, Rev. V. Otto and Rev. M. Ball. (c) Secretarial staff—Miss M. Taylor, Mr. P. Haparimwi, Mr. J. W. Masvaure, Misses P. and E. Samudzimu.



81. EVENING SESSION: It was voted that Rev. J. Kawadza, administrative assistant to the Bishop, read the appointments at the 7:30 p.m. session.

82. NOMINATIONS: Rev. Chiwota presented the names of persons nominated to serve on the following boards and the report was adopted.

*Ministry*: 1958—J. Chidzikwe, K. Eriksson, S. Munjoma, E. Matongo, V. Otto. *Pensions*: 1966—A. Leiknes (to replace R. Hughes). 1968—H. Griffin, N. Dikanifuwa, E. Mukonde. *Theological Council*: 1968—H. Anfinssen, C. Miller, M. Kalso.

83. STATISTICIAN: Rev. A. Leiknes was elected the Conference Statistician.

### THIRTEENTH BUSINESS SESSION—7:30 P.M.

84. APPOINTMENTS: The 1965 Annual Conference closed with the reading of the appointments by Rev. J. Kawadza.

85. CALENDAR: The 1965-66 Conference Calendar report was read by Mr. M. Mataranyika. It was adopted. More dates are to be added as they come in. It was requested that the Calendar be printed and distributed to Pastors as soon as possible.

86. RESOLUTIONS: The report read by Mr. K. Mvududu was approved after additions from the floor.

87. APPRECIATION: Words of appreciation for Miss I. Scovill's long years of service were expressed by G. Otto, the District Superintendents, and Conference Lay Leader.

88. SPECIAL PRAYER: Rev. J. Chitombo led in special prayer for Rev. A. Kajese who was unable to attend Conference because of ill-health.

89. See 82.

# Certificate Of Ordination

*This is to certify that on Sunday, 9 May 1965  
at the Old Umtali Methodist Centre, Rhodesia, I  
ordained by the laying on of hands*

**WILLIAM BUWU  
FANUEL KADENGE  
JOHNSTONE GURURE  
JOSIAH MUZITI  
CALEB MKASA  
LAMECH ZHUNGU  
SAMSON NYAKUENGAMA  
JOSIAH KUREWA  
RUDOLPH MATONGO  
LOVEMORE NYANUNGO**

*as DEACONS, in accordance with the Discipline  
and Ritual of The Methodist Church and after  
election by the Rhodesia Annual Conference.*

*This further certifies that subsequently at the  
same place and date, I ordained by the laying on  
of hands*

**DENNISON NYAMUROWA**

*as an ELDER, in accordance with the Discipline  
and Ritual of The Methodist Church and after  
election by the Rhodesia Annual Conference.*

## *Escrivas A. Zunguze*

**Escrivas A. Zunguze  
Presiding Bishop of  
The Methodist Church**

## **Part IV**

### **DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS**

#### **A. Organization and Introductory Reports**

1. Who are the Officers of the Conference?  
Secretary: Rev. Abel Muzorewa  
Statistician: Rev. Asbjorn Leiknes  
Treasurer: Mr. Isaac Musamba
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? Yes.  
See Constitution, *Journal*, 1954.
3. Are the officers handling funds bonded? No.
4. What is the report of the Programme Committee as to the hours of the session, the bar of the Conference, and the programme? (See official Conference programme, and daily proceedings for 4 May 1965).
5. Who are the members of Boards and Committees? (See part II, list of Boards and Committees.)
6. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader?  
Mr. William Marima.
7. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts, and suggestions for the work of the future? (See District Superintendents' Report).

#### **B. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations:**

8. Having made enquires into the life and character of the ministerial members of the Conference, does the Board on the Ministry recommend that they be continued in the effective ministry?  
Answer: Yes.

#### **9. Who are the approved Supply Pastors?**

Lazarus Kasiyamhuru	Josiah Makande	Kenneth Mhandu
Edward Chapata	Joseph Makuto	Morgan Muchanyereyi
Elia Chikodzi	Willie Marara	Nason Muskwe
David Chipaumire	Jarius Masenda	Evison Mutanga
Nisbert Dziwa	Annual Matambanadzo	John Nderere
Philemon Kajese		

10. What approved Supply Pastors now under full appointment are taking:  
a) Conference Course of study? Jarius Masenda, Kenneth Mhandu, Joseph Makuto, Morgan Muchanyereyi, Evison Mutanga.

b) Approved Supply Pastors' Course? Nason Muskwe, David Chipaumire.

11. Who are recommended to take the course of study for reception on trial?

a) Present Epworth Students: S. Musonhi, W. Makunike, K. Shamu, S. Nduna, K. Mbofana, W. Mawanga, I. Mawokomatanda, P. Mudiwa, Z. Mwarewangepo, M. Chitima, H. Handreki, A. Kanonuhwa, S. Mukangara.

b) Conference Course of Study: Josiah Makande, Kenneth Mhandu, S. Kundishora, Jarius Masenda, Joseph Makuto, Morgan Muchanyereyi, Evison Mutanga, John Nderere, Willie Marara, Philemon Kajese, Elia Chikodzi.

12. Who are received on trial?

a) By transfer: None.

b) By graduation from Epworth Theological College: Lamech Zhungu, William Buwu, Fanuel Kadenge, Josiah Kurewa, Caleb Mkasa, and Samson Nyakuengama.

c) Recommended for courtesy reception on trial overseas in Sweden: Martin Chikanya.

13. Who remain on trial? Lovemore Nyanungo.

14. Who on trial have been discontinued?

Roger Harmon, at his own request.

15. Who are admitted into full connection?

Rudolph Matongo, Johnstone Gurure, and Josiah Muziti.

16. What full members are in studies?

a) Overseas: John Kurewa, Geoffrey Kapenzi, and John Munjoma.

17. What full members have completed studies of the fourth year? Dennison Nyamuruwa.

18. Who have been elected and ordained deacons?

a) Local deacons: None.

b) Travelling deacons: Lamech Zhungu, William Buwu, Fanuel Kadenge, Josiah Kurewa, Caleb Mkasa, Samson Nyakuengama, Lovemore Nyanungo, Rudolph Matongo, Johnstone Gurure, Josiah Muziti, and by courtesy ordination in Sweden, Martin Chikanya.

19. Who have been elected and ordained elder?
  - a) Local Elder: None.
  - b) Travelling Elder: Dennison Nyamurowa.
20. Who have had their Conference membership terminated? None.
21. What ministerial members have died during the year? Robert C. Gates, Zachariah Mukombiwa.
22. What ministers have retired?
  - a) This year: Luke Chieza, Patrick Machiri, both as of 31 December 1965.
  - b) Previously: Philip Chieza, Samuel Chieza, Josiah Chimbadzwa, Henry I. James, Silas P. Kasambira, Benjamin Katsidzira, Hosea Katsidzira, Johnson Maramba, Titus Maranke, Moses M'parutsa, Enoch Munjoma, Marshall J. Murphree, John Nduna, Reginald Ngonyama, T. A. O'Farrell, George A. Roberts, Jackson Rugayo.
23. Who are left without appointment to attend school? John Nemaungwe, John Kurewa, Geoffrey Kapeenzi, John Munjoma, Martin Chikanya.
24. What other personal notations should be made?
  - a) Received from other conferences? None.
  - b) Transferred out: Lou Hillendahl, to the Rock River Annual Conference.
  - c) Who have been granted supernumerary relationship: Simon Kowo.
  - d) Sabbatical leave: None.
  - e) Who have been given special appointments: Per Hassing to Boston University School of Theology, Kenneth Harper to University of Kentucky, Robert Goodloe to Hendrix College, Maurice Culver to Asbury Theological School, Dennison Nyamurowa to Bible Society Secretary for Malawi.

## 2. General Business

5. What are the reports of boards, committees, and secretaries of the conference? See Part VI, Board and Committee Reports.
6. What is the report of the Conference Statistician? See Part XI at end of *Journal*.

27. What is the report of the Conference Treasurer?  
See Part VI, Reports.
28. What is the report of the Audit Committee?  
See Part VI, Reports.
29. What is the schedule for the minimum support for pastors? See salary scale as adopted by the 1961 Conference (1961 *Journal*, p. 57 and 1962 *Journal*, p. 95).
30. What apportionment of Conference funds are recommended by the Finance Committee?
  - a) For conference claimants? Circuit, £10 per annum. Pastor, £5 per annum.
  - b) For World Service? Free will offering.
  - c) For Episcopal Fund? 2% of pastor's cash salary.
  - d) For general administration? Assessed by membership.
  - e) Central Conference Fund? Assessed by membership.
  - f) For district superintendents' support? See report of Board of Finance, Part VI.
31. What are the objectives of the Conference for the coming year? See various reports adopted by Conference, especially the District Superintendents' Report.
32. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Nyadiri Methodist Centre.
33. Is there any other business? No.
34. What are the appointments for the coming year?  
See list of appointments, Part V.

## **Part V**

### **1965-1966 APPOINTMENTS**

#### **A. MREWA DISTRICT**

SUPERINTENDENT: Davidson Chikosi 3

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Mrewa: P. Madziva

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Headlands, Chikore-Tanda: Winlow  
Gombedza

Women's Work: Mrs. Davidson Chikosi

District Christian Education worker: (Edward Chapata) 2

Bulawayo Circuit: Samuel Munjoma 3

Chikore-Tanda Circuit: William Buwu 1

Headlands Circuit: (Josiah Makande) 3

## **MREWA CENTRE**

Chairman: John Schevenius

Howard Memorial Church: Daniel Makuto 3

Associate Pastor: Coriless Hanson 1

Principal: John Schevenius

Girls Boarding Matron and Chaplain: Mrs. Lydia Zimonte

Boys Boarding Master: R. Chirimumimba

Central Primary School, Headmaster: J. Kaisa

Secondary School:

Headmaster: C. Taylor; A. Chibanguza (after 11/65).

Staff: T. Chitsiku, F. Letts, C. Kenney, M. Comstock, L. Jaji,

W. Plumb, B. Mafarachisi (6/65), J. Muteiwa (9/65), E. Pa-

paya (9/65), E. Kawadza (1/66).

Mrewa East Circuit: (Jarius Masenda) 5

Mrewa North Circuit: Samuel Muzulu 2

Mrewa South Circuit: Johnstone Gurure 3

Mrewa West Circuit: David Chinogureyi 2

## **SALISBURY**

Harare Circuit: Kenneth Choto 4

Associate Pastor: Kare Eriksson 2

Highfields Circuit: Fanuel Kadenge 1

Christian Education worker: (John Sakutombo) 2

## **B. MTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT**

SUPERINTENDENT: Ovid Stine 1

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Mtasa-Makoni: D. Bvunzawabaya

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Chiduku: Winlow Gombedza

Women's Work: Mrs. Ovid Stine

Chiduku North Circuit: Wilson Mandisodza 4

Chiduku South Circuit: Elisha Kuwana 2

Chizawana Circuit: (John Nderere) 1

Gandanzara Circuit: Patrick Machiri (until 1 Dec. 1965) 11

Inyanga North Circuit: (Willie Marara) 1

Inyanga South Circuit: Josiah Muziti 4

Makoni Circuit: Lamech Zhungu 1

Mundenda Circuit: Elliot Jijita 1

Nyakatsapa Circuit: Ezekiel Matongo 4

Nyamukwarara Circuit: (Kenneth Mhandu) 3

## **OLD UMTALI CENTRE**

Chairman: David Mudzengerere

Assistant Chairman: Naboth Gandanzara

Ehnes Memorial Church: David Mudzengerere 1

Associate Pastor: Emmett Johnson

Bookkeepers: Esther Russell, Naboth Gandanzara

Press Manager: Everett Matzigkeit

Maintenance and Service Manager: Peter Maenzanise

Medical Unit:

Matron: Erica Morosani

Doctor: Rosalie Johnson, M.D.

Principal: Bernie Higgs; (after 11/65) Amon Dangarembga

Fairfield Girls Dept.: Mr. and Mrs. David Maenzanise

Boys Boarding Dept.: William Marima

Central Primary School (Std. A-6): Headmaster: Stanley Manda.

Hartzell Secondary School: Headmaster—Z. Gwanzura.

Staff: E. Kgaka, C. Chimombe, M. Johnson, R. O'Brien, Stewart, L. Stewart, W. Gazeley, A. Porteous, N. Mutamba, A. Dangarembga (9/65), S. Dangarembga (9/65), D. Munga (1/66).

Penhalonga-Odzi Circuit: (Morgan Muchanyerei) 2  
RUSAPE

Rusape-Railway Circuit: John Jijita 4

Youth and Women's Work: Miss Martha Musiyarira

Wesley Circuit: Hans Anfinson 1

### C. MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT: Nason Madzinga 1

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Mtoko: T. Gwati

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Nyadiri: R. Kambarami

MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Maramba: T. Matanga; G. Mariva (after 9/65).

Women's Work: Mrs. Nason Madzinga

Christian Education Worker: (Lazarus Kasiyamhuru) 3

Evangelist: Area C: (Philemon Kajese)

Chikwizo Circuit: Josiah Kurewa 1

Maramba-Pfungwe Circuit: Solomon Zuze 1

Mkota Circuit: (Nason Muskwe)

Mtoko East Circuit: Caleb Mukasa 1

Mtoko North Circuit: Elijah Chimbanga 2

### NYAMUZUWE METHODIST CENTRE

Pastor: Elijah Chimbanga

Associate Pastor: to be supplied

Principal: Ernest Landin

Secondary School: Headmaster—Fred Francel

Staff: A. Landin, M. Brancel, R. Mandizha, L. Mandizha (9/65), N. Goto (9/65), L. Mupita (9/65).

Mtoko South Circuit: Amon Kajese 6

Mtoko West Circuit: Philemon Gurupira 1

### NYADIRI METHODIST CENTRE

Chairman: Josiah Chidzikwe

O'Farrell Memorial Church: Josiah Chidzikwe 4

Associate Pastor and Hospital Chaplain: (Joseph Makuto)

Associate Pastor and Christian Education: John Kaemmer

Associate Pastor and Student Chaplain: E. Bjerkerot 1

Principal: S. Kundishora

Girls Boarding: Mrs. A. Machiri

Boys Boarding: G. Kowo

Teacher Training School: Headmistress—Miss Vivian Ot

Staff: G. Otto, C. Hanson, M. Kalso, A. Spence (7/65),

Jambga (9/65), F. Munjoma (1/66), J. Kaemmer (part-time)

Central Primary School: Headmaster—B. Ruwodo

Lower Primary School: Headmaster—C. Nyabvure

Experiment in Christian Social Living: to be supplied

Methodist Hospital, Nyadiri

Doctors: Medical Superintendent—Marvin Piburn, M.D.



Assistant Medical Superintendent: Elisha Mutasa, M.D.  
 Reginald Nkonyama, M.D.  
 Dentist: M. Nelvig  
 Administrator and Pharmacist: Raymond Watson  
 Bookkeeper: T. Nube  
 Medical Extension: to be supplied  
 Sisters: R. Lind, Mrs. E. Bjerkerot  
 Hospital Matron: Mrs. G. Kapenzi  
 Nursing Orderlies Training School: Elma Ashby  
 Laboratory: D. Gwenzi  
 X-Ray: I. Tambara  
 Maintenance: A. Tsiga  
 Out-Patient Dept.: T. Kuture  
 Nyadiri Circuit: (Evison Mutanga) 1  
 Uzumba Circuit: to be supplied

#### **D. UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT**

SUPERINTENDENT: Patron Nyamukapa 5  
 MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Marange—B. Mutambara  
 MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Mutambara—R. Chimonyo  
 MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: Zimunya North—Hans Anfinson  
 (until 9/65).  
 MANAGER OF SCHOOLS: New Zimunya District—K. Mvududu  
 (after 9/65).  
 Women's Work: Mrs. Patron Nyamukapa  
 District Christian Education Worker: (Nisbert Dziwa) 3  
 Evangelist: Marange Extension (Elia Chikodzi) 2  
 Marange Central Circuit: Alfred Katsande 2  
 Marange North Circuit: Jonah Machiri 3  
 Marange South Circuit: Nason Chigubu 1  
 Marange West Circuit: (Annual Matambanadzo) 1

#### **MUTAMBARA METHODIST CENTRE**

Chairman: Jonah Chitombo  
 Pastor: Jonah Chitombo 5  
 Principal: Mrs. E. Roberts  
 Boys Boarding: to be supplied  
 Girls Boarding: Directress: Mrs. E. Roberts; Matron: Miss  
 Dorcas Chinofukutwa  
 Teacher Training / Secondary School:  
 Headmaster: Joseph Bisby.  
 Staff: Mrs. E. Roberts, D. Mungazi, A. Leiknes, E. Musumhi  
 (9/65), R. Choto (9/65), O. Musuka (9/65), D. Weaver (1/66).  
 Central Primary School (Stds. A-6): Headmaster—P. Mudiwa  
 Clerk: Mutambara Centre Schools—Mrs. A. Leiknes (from 9/65)  
 Mutambara Medical and Extension:  
 Medical Superintendent: D. Rudy, M.D.  
 Staff Nurses: M. Johansson, W. Makawa (until 9/65), R.  
 Lindgren.  
 Mutambara Farm: T. Roberts  
 Sunnyside Homecraft School: Directress—B. Post; Mr. and Mrs.  
 D. Schalekamo (on arrival), Miss Mbutsa.

Mutambara East Circuit: Nathaniel Chiwota 2  
Mutambara West Circuit: Rudolph Matongo 3  
Nyanyadzi Circuit: (Nisbert Dziwa) 1

### **UMTALI**

Miller Memorial Church Circuit: Nason Dikanifuwa 4  
Assistant Pastor: to be supplied December 1965  
Methodist Christian Centre: Director: Miss Marcia Ball  
Deaconess: Mrs. E. Samudzimu  
African Girls Hostel: Miss Mildred Taylor, Mrs. H. Malianga  
Zimunya North Circuit: Lovemore Nyanungo 1  
Zimunya South Circuit: Samson Nyakuengama 1

### **E. CONFERENCE EXTENSION PROGRAMMES**

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR NGARIENDE (COORDINATOR, CONFERENCE EXTENSION) H. Griffin.  
Conference Evangelists: L. Chieza, E. Jangano  
Conference Director of Christian Education: N. Thomas  
Conference Director of Youth Work: A. Muzorewa  
Methodist Land Stewardship: J. Chitombo, Jr.  
Women's Bible School: Mrs. H. Griffin  
Shona Language School Director: Mr. and Mrs. Mataranyika.  
Conference Board of Communications: Director—E. Makunike  
Publicity and Promotion: W. Finster  
Music Research: J. Kaemmer  
Conference Secretary for Temperance: Miss M. Ball

### **F. SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS ON THE FIELD**

Administrative Assistant to the Bishop—J. Kawadza  
Conference Treasurer: I. Musamba  
Field Treasurer: J. Shryock  
Executive Secretary, Board of Education—G. Fleshman  
Secretary to Area Office: W. Humbane  
Conference Archivist: E. Johnson  
Correspondence: Africa Christian Advocate: Miss M. Ball  
Methodist Woman: Mrs. B. Higgs  
World Outlook: S. Carroll  
Special Language work: Miss I. Scovill (until retirement)  
Kitwe Writing Centre: B. Simonsson  
Mindolo Ecumenical Centre: R. Hughes  
Methodist Children's Hostel, Salisbury: Mr. and Mrs. W. Finster  
Ministry of Education, Advisory Board: G. Fleshman  
Land Agent: To be supplied  
Shona Language Study: Mr. and Mrs. S. Carroll, R. Lindgren,  
Mr. and Mrs. D. Weaver

### **ECUMENICAL APPOINTMENTS**

Epworth Theological College: Rev. and Mrs. K. Eriksson, Rev. and Mrs. M. Chiza, Dr. W. Hinson.  
Old Umtali Biblical Institute: Rev. and Mrs. H. Griffin

### **Scholars Studying Abroad**

S. Borerwe, Miss M. Chitombo, D. Chitsenga, Miss J. Chiza, Miss E. Choto, R. Choto, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dangarembga, J. Dhliwayo, Miss S. Jamakanga, Mr. and Mrs. B. Jambga, Mr. and Mrs.

G. Kapenzi, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kodzai, Miss M. Chidzikwe, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kuwana, Mr. and Mrs. R. Madziya, B. Mafarachisi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mahlanza, Q. Malianga, R. Masvikeni, Mr. and Mrs. J. Makawa, Mr. and Mrs. B. Mazaiwana, N. Mbawa, Miss E. Mhlanga, Miss P. Molife, Miss M. Mparutsa, J. Munjoma, L. Mupita, J. Murapa, C. Mushangazhike, Mr. and Mrs. J. Muskwe, J. Mutambara, Mr. and Mrs. J. Muteiwa, R. Mutunhu, Mr. and Mrs. J. Njagu, E. Nyamapfene, Mr. and Mrs. N. Nyamufukudza, Miss O. Nyamuyaruka, Miss R. Nyika, E. Papaya, Mr. and Mrs. D. Sadza, Miss K. Sibaya, Mr. and Mrs. S. Tsopotsa, Miss C. Wakatama, Mr. and Mrs. R. Zvinoira, Mr. and Mrs. N. Goto, Mr. and Mrs. D. Kasambira, Mr. and Mrs. E. Kawadza, Rev. and Mrs. J. Kurewa, L. Mandizha, O. Musuka, Mr. and Mrs. E. Musumhi.

### **Students at Epworth Theological College**

3B—W. Makunike, K. Shamu, S. Nduna, K. Mbofana.

3A—S. Musoni.

2B—M. Handreke, S. Mukangara, A. Kanonuhwa.

1B—I. Mawokomatanda, Z. Mwarewangepo, W. Mawanga, M. Chitma, P. T. P. Mudiwa.

### **Other Students and Members of the Annual Conference Beyond Conference Boundaries**

Garrett Biblical Institute: J. Kurewa.

Boston University School of Theology: G. Kapenzi.

Scandinavian Union Theological College: M. Chikanya.

Mt. Union College: J. Munjoma.

### **Other Appointments**

Boston University School of Theology: P. Hassing.

Hendrix College: R. Goodloe.

University of Kentucky: K. Harper.

Asbury Theological Seminary: M. Culver.

Bible Societies in Malawi: Dennison Nyamurowa.

### **Missionaries on Furlough**

Dr. and Mrs. G. Close, Rev. and Mrs. L. Eisenberg, Rev. and Mrs. T. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dewey, Dr. and Mrs. A. Whanger, Rev. and Mrs. E. Heyer, Rev. and Mrs. A. Alvord, Mr. and Mrs. J. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. S. Carroll, Dr. and Mrs. H. Deale, Rev. and Mrs. R. Noah, Rev. and Mrs. L. Blomquist, Mr. and Mrs. R. Kauffman, Sister J. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kinyon, Miss E. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. C. Taylor, Miss E. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. B. Higgs, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bisby, Mr. and Mrs. T. Roberts, Sister M. Johansson.

Leave of Absence: R. Gell, J. Nemaungwe.

Sabbatical Leave: S. Kowo.

**Part VI**  
**REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

**District Superintendents' Report**  
(Daily Proceedings No. 8)

In Paul's final word of counsel to the church at Thessalonica he says: "Never damp the fire of the Spirit, and never despise what is spoken in the name of the Lord. By all means use your judgement, and hold on to whatever is really good. Steer clear of evil in all forms. May the God of peace make you holy through the Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is utterly faithful and he will finish what he has set out to do."

What a joy to be called into His Kingdom, by One who is faithful, and who has promised to "finish what he has set out to do." In 1897 Bishop J. Hartzell came over the mountains from Mozambique to open the Methodist work in the Eastern District of Rhodesia. What he saw then was quite a different scene than before us today. And so as this, the Twenty-Seventh Session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of The Methodist Church gathers at Old Umtali, we give humble and grateful praise to Almighty God for what our eyes can see and our hearts do feel. That great company of witnesses who have joined the church celestial, the veterans of yesteryear whose presence continues to bless us today, all serve to remind us of the faithfulness of our Heavenly Father to finish what He has set out to do.

Welcome, then, today to the people called Methodists! To our visiting Bishop who has honoured us by his coming to preside over the Conference, to all ministers and lay delegates, to distinguished visitors and friends, we trust that you will be enriched by this gathering and that you will all feel at home in this Christian fellowship.

Early in the year following the last Annual Conference, a great blow came to this country and to the life of our church with the government's deportation of our resident bishop, Ralph E. Dodge, his wife, and the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Hughes. This was a sad day, and

only for Methodism in Southern Africa, but for all men of good-will who have been deprived of the Bishop's outstanding Christian leadership. Though he was taken from us without any reason given, the Central Conference delegates called upon him to serve again until his retirement in 1968, even if this meant having to do so from outside the country. His concern has not diminished even though he is prevented from being with us today. So we remember him in our prayers during his current heavy speaking engagement in the United States. We still look for the day of his return to this land.

Naturally this severe blow brought much grief and anxiety to our people. We pray that the day will soon come when this ban will be lifted. In the meantime, greater responsibility has been placed upon others in the Conference. Especially we think of the Bishop's administrative assistant, Rev. Jonah Kawadza. We have come to a new appreciation of his wise and patient leadership in his most difficult role. The district superintendents, on behalf of the Conference, express their gratitude to Rev. Kawadza. Likewise, we are indebted to our very able conference treasurer, Mr. Isaac Musamba. More and more financial responsibility is passing into his hands. Therefore we suggest that the Conference recognize the full-time nature of his appointment, unlike the position which he inherited in 1963 described as a "service job."

"He who calls you is utterly faithful, and he will finish what he has set out to do." Such words of assurance and encouragement have been our strength.

Change continues to be the order of the day in our society. New life enters the Conference with the appointment of new theological graduates and the coming of other missionaries. Again we bid a grateful farewell to those who leave us in retirement or furlough.

A long-hoped-for development took place with the appointment of Mr. George Fleshman as Executive Secretary of the Board of Education. The centralizing of this vast programme is already producing valuable results. We are fortunate indeed to have one so well-qualified in training and in spirit for this important post. From all corners of the Conference comes the cry for more schools from Sub A to Secondary. This

need is raised often, especially for upper primaries, and secondary schools. Therefore we ask our Board of Education to do everything possible to impress upon the Ministry of African Education that Methodists want more and better schools.

The new Board of Finance and Coordination (BOFAC), which brought together the former Committee on Coordination and the Conference Finance Committee, has sought to find its way as a group responsible directly to the Annual Conference as well as to the Board of Missions. More study is needed in developing a strong financial programme across the Conference and in local churches. But a good step has been taken in unifying this organization. The Committee to Study Conference Reorganization will also bring in recommendations for greater efficiency in the life of the church. Another new step taken during the year was the placing of the Shona Language School under the Annual Conference rather than the missionary committee. The Directors, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Mataranyika, are giving of their best to build up the school as a centre of language study and culture. Even other denominations are often using the services there.

We welcome the presentation of a new hymnal which includes all the ritual services of the church. This has been no mean task, for which we thank Mr. Robert Kauffman and others. We ask the Conference to make a prayerful dedication of this new book of worship during its present session.

The Joint Theological Council decided in November to transfer the first year students to Epworth from Old Umtali Biblical Institute, as there were no approved candidates for evangelism training in 1965. A special committee is to recommend a future programme for the Biblical Institute. We await its finding with great interest.

Now let us take a brief look at the work being done in the four districts. The Mrewa district superintendent, Rev. Davidson Chikosi, reports that "along with much disturbances, intimidation and unrest centred in the area, still the church is growing and gaining new people. The worst shock was the announcement of the deportation of Bishop and Mrs. Dodge and Rev. and Mrs. R. Hughes, as well as the going away of Rev. S.

Kowo. The protest by the churches was an assurance that Bishop Dodge would be re-elected for this next quadrenium. In many places churches and schools have been burned. Pastors and teachers have been dragged and beaten, with much harm to the youth work as well. Thanks to the visit of Dr. Gerald Harvey of the Board of Missions, this work has begun afresh.

"We were proud of the warm farewell service of Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Sells who retired. Rev. and Mrs. Marshall Murphree had to take an emergency furlough due to the illness of their daughter, who is making a good recovery from surgery. Miss Edith Parks went on furlough and we await her safe return. We have welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Chibanguza, Mr. and Mrs. Chitsiku, Mr. Charles Kenny and Miss Comstock to Mrewa Secondary School, now under the headmastership of Mr. C. Taylor. Mr. Madziwa is the Mrewa district school manager. Two new Epworth pastors began in the district.

"The new clinic was opened at Arnoldine, thanks to the hard work of Rev. and Mrs. Norman Thomas and other local people. A new church is finished at Lochinvar. Mrewa Centre has been host to many large gatherings. A revival spirit is at work in several circuits, bringing new life to the churches. Tithing and pledging are being taught. At the Centre, prayer groups are numerous among students. Mrs. Zimonte is leading the boys and girls in rumuko and in visitation. A retired member of Conference, the Rev. Zachariah Mukombiwa, passed away. His funeral was a time of worship and praise to God for his faithful ministry."

Going further north, we got this report from Rev. Lennart Blomquist who has served as superintendent of the Mtoko-Nyadiri District." The past year has been a very difficult one to evaluate. There has been extreme political struggle which has disrupted the daily life in so many ways. Fear has taken a terrific stronghold over life, and everywhere people are looking around for that fear to strike and the ugly face of intimidation can be seen all around. People distrust one another.

"And still in the middle of all these troubles a community improvement programme has taken place of a kind which a few years ago would have been impos-

sible. The ninth clinic has been dedicated and the ground-breaking ceremony for the tenth has been held. Three new churches have been dedicated, the cornerstone laid for three more, and two more are open for use. New school blocks and teachers houses in nearly every community have been erected. How has this been done? Through the excellent teamwork of headteachers, school managers and pastors. At Mtoko our administration centre is starting to take shape. The new office block for two school managers and the district superintendent will soon be ready. The community is establishing their school buildings on our property. This will give us the use of the old buildings for dorms and class rooms for church activities. The women of Mtoko are working on a hall and a kitchen. The foundation is already built on the old church site. Plans are underway for developments in Area C and D and Mkota. At Nyadiri we are happy to see our second African doctor at work. The PTH at Nyadiri and the Secondary have had staff shortages, but the present staff has loyally undertaken to carry the load until more staff is available.

"There is a changing of the guard in the leadership of the district. Rev. Nason Madzinga is now carrying the burden, and I will use this opportunity to welcome him in his tasks and ask for God's Spirit to move with him on the many paths of the district. May God bless you and keep all of you who have been working with me in the last four and half years. I am most grateful for your help and cooperative spirit. With the wish that the same spirit may remain with you, I do not worry about the future of the district."

From the Umtali South District we hear this report from the Rev. Patron Nyamukapa. "The Apostle Paul raises a challenging question: 'Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.' The church has gone through many difficulties and sufferings for righteousness sake. The period of protest over the deportation of the head of our church, Bishop Ralph Dodge, was a time of trial. It became hard for the church to give its witness, particularly at Nyanyadzi and Chakohwa.



Some of their members suffered physically.

"The District Conference was held at Mt. Makomwe on June 12-14. One of our evangelists, Mr. Philemon Mube, was recognized for his service of thirty-four years to The Methodist Church. The Vabvuwi Southern Meeting was held at Mutambara camp ground, and many were stirred by the great revival spirit. The Lord was working mightily among the Rukwadzano meetings and churches. They are giving some money for church buildings and parsonages. The M.Y.F. has not been going on well due to the leaders' lack of enthusiasm, but the young people want the programme. The district has sixty-eight churches where local preachers lead the services and thirteen churches where services are conducted by trained pastors. The last year's emphasis was on stewardship and tithing. Some of our churches have moved from the learning stage to the doing stage and actually giving the tenth of their income every month. Three circuits are using the Lord's Acre plan.

"We have welcomed two new secondary teachers and their families with the opening of two classes of Form One. The boarding departments are being expanded. Mr. G. Mutambara is our new Marange School Manager. The medical department reports an increasing load of both in-patients and out-patients. The number of maternity patients is about 50% over the past two years. Another State Registered Nurse has been added with the return of Sister Winnie Makawa from her training in Norway. A male orderly has also been added, and clinics established in the boarding departments.

"The Umtali Hostel Home was made happier for our 10 girls by the strong Y-Teen movement (of the Y.W.-A.), and the choir organized by Mrs. Fred Brancel. This is the 16th year that Mrs. Harriet Malianga has served in a wonderful way as mother, counsellor, and evangelist to all of our daughters. We have four strong prayer groups, a regular Sunday School for the girls, as well as a class of 40 children from the neighbouring police camp, besides the regular evening devotions.

"The Methodist Church Centre at Hilltop has spent the year quietly at work. Although there were many staff changes, we were able to build up a rewarding fellowship. The Centre sponsored a local "Arts and Crafts Workshop" during December holidays. The

drama class gave three plays. Sewing and literacy classes keep up their interest well. We also started coaching classes for those taking J.C. Correspondence."

Here in the Mtasa-Makoni District we are deeply grateful to Almighty God for all the blessings of the past year. Fifteen full-time pastors are shepherding the people with the help of the local preachers. Many places are witnessing over-flowing congregations. Several new churches have been constructed and others are beginning.

One big disappointment has been the delay in starting the building of the Rusape Chrisitan Centre, due to the Government's rejection of our application for an additional site. However, we are still working on alternative plans. The programme has begun with Miss Martha Musiyarira as youth and women's worker.

The Nyangombe Methodist Centre continues to develop with a resident pastor and nurse and their families. The new permanent building for the clinic has started. We hope to erect a foot bridge when possible.

The District is made up of people, wonderful people. A hard-working layleader, Mr. Mathew Mataranyika, has provided much inspiration and guidance to all of us. And our capable treasurer, Mr. William Marima, not only teaches but practices stewardship. And others like them are the life of the church. With the emphasis on stewardship for the year, a number of churches have begun proper bookkeeping procedure, especially circuit treasurers. But much needs to be done at the local church level. In the main, most circuits have met their financial responsibilities well toward support of pastors and assessments.

Our school managers continue their good work and are trying to open new schools. Here at Old Umtali we have suffered the loss of the Hartzell Teacher Training School though we hope the unified programme at Nyadiri will strengthen the Conference work. New attention is called to earlier recommendations for Forms 5 and 6 at Old Umtali. Our medical work has nearly doubled in the past year. An average of 35 orphans are cared for daily. New rural clinics are being opened, with plans for up to eight to be developed. We need one or two state registered nurses on the staff.

The invaluable ministry of The Rev. Dr. and Mrs.

Emmett Johnson in the district cannot go unmentioned. While pastor of Wesley Church, Rusape, he helped the Conference to become more aware of its responsibility toward the European community while bringing in a sizeable number of new members. Their presence is now a benediction to the Old Umtali Church where they serve devotedly.

"He who calls you is utterly faithful, and he will finish what he has set out to do." So in that spirit of confidence, we move into the new year which is to be the year of Emphasis on Literature. On 1 January, 1965, Mr. Ezekiel Makunike took over as Director of Publications. He is calling for development and expansion of previous plans as well as making new suggestions.

## PLANS FOR LITERATURE EMPHASIS 1965-66

### *A. Literature Distribution Network*

Throughout the world literature is a heavily subsidized activity, especially among the younger churches. Therefore we seek the support of everyone in helping us to sell our Christian materials, thereby reducing some costs. Pastors, school managers, businessmen all are needed. Upon completion, the new bookshop at Mtoko will be a main outlet and source of supply. It is also hoped to rent a shop in Umtali for this purpose.

### *B. Visit of Dr. Doris Hess, World Methodist Literature Consultant*

Miss Hess will be re-visiting Rhodesia June 30-July 13 as part of her fact-finding tour. She will make a thorough survey together with Mr. Makunike of all phases of literature in Rhodesia. Both will be attending the All-Africa Literature Planning Editors' Conference in Zambia from May 10 to 12 to help launch this new drive.

### *C. Literature Seminar in Jerusalem*

Mr. Makunike will represent our Conference at the International Seminar on Literacy and Literature in Jerusalem from May 14 to June 17. It is hoped that many schemes will result from this gathering for use this year. The district superintendents and others will be co-opted for their support in developing plans and implementing them in all of the churches.

### *D. Literature Workshop at Old Umtali July 9-13*

Expert teachers are expected to conduct a workshop on writing and distribution. Dr. Doris Hess will be one of the principal teachers. Dr. Fortune, head of African Languages at Rhodesian University, has agreed to come and speak on "The Place of Shona in Tomorrow's Rhodesia." There will be many other subjects as well.

#### *E. Publication of New Books*

Reprints and new editions of Conference materials are being planned as needed. A research survey may be conducted to find out the reading habits of our people, old and young, such as "What do people read and why?"

#### *F. Ecumenical Cooperation*

The Methodist Church is a strong partner in cooperation with other churches in the field of literature. The pilot scheme of the S.R.C.C. is soon to be launched throughout the whole country. Mrs. J. Chitombo of Mutambara and Mrs. N. Dhlakama of Umtali are our Conference supervisors in the project.

#### *G. Umbowo*

This has been enlarged in number of pages and the format, and registered at the G.P.O. as a newspaper. Street sales have been introduced. Circulation has jumped from about 1,000 to 4,000 including about 1,600 overseas ones. Our aim is to get *UMBOWO* into every Methodist home if not every Methodist hand plus many others.

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In past months, we have seen much intimidation, indifference, and a falling away from the church. There has been failure to support the church financially as it should be. Suspicion and jealousy often plague the body of Christ. May God grant us a sense of what is true, what is right, what is fair, what is loving, what is forgiving. The problem of today is the people of today. It is people that make the times and not the times that make the people.

Let this Annual Conference be submissive to the will of God. Let it make room for the voice of the laity. Let it seek to heal the divisions in the body of Christ.

Remember, brethren, "He who calls you is utterly faithful, and He will finish what He has set out to do."

## **Africa Central Conference**

On behalf of the Africa Central Conference delegation of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, I would like to thank you all for the opportunity you gave us to represent you at this most historic Central Conference, held at Mulungwishi Institution in the Democratic Republic of the Congo from the 27th August to the 4th September, 1964.

I call this Conference historic because it was at this Conference that the first African bishops of our Central Conference were elected. As proof of this the first man to make this history is here with us presiding over our Annual Conference, Bishop E. Zunguze.

Presiding at this first session was our beloved Bishop Ralph E. Dodge. Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke led the devotions speaking on the subject "This is Holy Ground." The next thing was the election of the Conference secretaries. Mr. S. Tsopotsa, now studying in England, was elected English secretary; Mr. Edward Sendwe, son of the late Jasson Sendwe killed by the rebels, French Secretary; and Rev. Zacarias Cordoso, who had flown from Drew University to represent Angola, Portuguese secretary. The 3 languages mentioned above are the official languages of the Africa Central Conference. Translation was simultaneous. After this a moment of silence was observed in memory of Mr. Burleigh Law who was killed by the rebels while on a rescue mission. Three Bishops presided over the Conference alternately, Bishops Dodge, Booth, and Wicke, the president of the Council of Bishops. One of the highlights of the day was the Episcopal address by the host bishop, Bishop Newell Snow Booth. I wish to make some quotations from it. The theme of his address was "Evidences of Maturity." He began, "The Church in Africa Central Conference has shown real evidences of maturity during the last 4 years. It is well that it has." He spoke of the tremendous changes that have taken place in the social and political life and he had this to say. "Naturally the church has been affected. There have been disillusionments and frustrations. There has been criticism that the church has looked backward not forward. It's program of worship, preaching and teaching has been called irrelevant to the issues of the day. On the other hand its peoples have been caught up in other currents, and have ne-

glected the church, and again the church has been persecuted because of its stand in the social turmoil. This has always been the experience of the church whether in the time of Rome or today in Africa . . . There is chaos in Africa but it is the accompaniment of construction, the birth of a new civilization."

He also spoke of: 1. Maturity in economic support, saying that the local churches in the Congo will meet 100% self support soon. 2. Maturity in evangelistic outreach. 3. Maturity in relationships, mainly between the nationals and the missionaries. 4. Maturity in education. He spoke here of the Stanleyville Protestant University. 5. Maturity in service. Here he spoke of the service rendered to the church and society and state by the returning overseas students.

On "Prepared Leadership" he had this to say, "But truly educated leaders are available even if they have not been schooled many years. What are the signs of prepared leadership? (a) large in common sense; (b) rich in experience; (c) a basic maturity in outlook and action; (d) ready to assume responsibility; (e) able to take the initiative.

Such leadership exists in the church both among the laity and in the ministry." This is but just a fraction of this most inspiring address.

The next important thing after this address was the constitution of the delegates into committees and boards. Each person had to belong to one committee and one board. And as in our Annual Conference, these committees and boards met and made reports to the larger group, for its consideration, adoption, rejection or modification. One of the several highlights of the Conference came on Monday the 31st of August. This was the episcopal elections. Because of the special circumstances that prevailed, delegations were allowed to make statements on the names of candidates each delegation wished to be considered for the office of bishop. Under normal circumstances this is done only informally. Because of the unanimity of our delegation and the intense private campaign we had conducted, Bishop Dodge was easily elected on the very first ballot. He received 46 votes out of 53 electing delegates. Bishop Andreassen of Angola was elected on the 3rd ballot, then came the historic ballot, the 9th ballot that pro-

duced the election of Bishop Escrivar Zunguze, the presiding officer at this Conference meeting at Old Umtali. He thus became the first African bishop ever elected in our Methodist Church. The very thrilling and keen struggle between Rev. Shaumba and Rev. Shungu ended on the 12th Ballot when Bishop Shungu was elected.

Another gripping highlight was the consecration of the new bishops. Due to problems of communication and the attitude of the Portuguese Government as regards Bishop Andreassen, only one new Bishop was consecrated. Bishop John Wesley Shungu. The consecration service was conducted in the three official languages. Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke (English), Bishop Newell S. Booth (French) and Bishop Ralph E. Dodge (Portuguese). It was really three consecration services in one. Among the distinguished visitors at this service were the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Elizabethville, representatives of the churches, the international press, and Chiefs Pande and Mwenda. Invitations had also been extended to President Joseph Kasavubu and Premier Moise Tshombe, but because of the fighting that was going on they could not come.

#### *Other Highlights*

1. Mr. Musamba was elected Africa Central Conference treasurer.

2. The General Conference theme for this Quadrennium "One Witness in One World" was adopted with emphasis on joint programmes with other denominations.

3. In regard to memorial No. 4 from Rhodesia Annual Conference, we feel no action need be taken at the present time in the light of General Conference actions regarding structure and re-organisation and in the light of the present study of Central Conference structure being made.

4. We endorse memorial No. 5 from the Rhodesia Annual Conference regarding the change of the name of the Conference, and, if necessary we recommend that this be forwarded to the General Conference if the change of name does not lie within the jurisdiction of the Central Conference.

5. Conclusions and recommendations from Committee on Structure: (a) To provide continuity in member-

ship at Central Conference each Annual Conference is asked to see that not less than half of their delegation to a future Central Conference were members of their delegation to the immediately previous one. (b) To provide for a follow-up of decisions reached, we recommend that the Executive meet at least twice during the quadrennium, and that the Bishops be given some emergency power between meetings of the Executive in line of point 4 of the Board of World Missions. (c) That the Executive in its meeting prior to Central Conference should make up an agenda to ensure that issues of vital importance would be given appropriate attention and many fringe issues avoided.

6. The Committee on Structure analyzed the present Central Conference system, and the three different possibilities offered to our annual conferences—the autonomous, the affiliated, or the united church (See Paragraphs 600-605, 1964 *Discipline*). The Central Conference unanimously adopted the report which concludes: "The committee agrees that our Africa Central Conference is an intermediate and welcome instrument for the present time which we do well in improving within the framework and structure of our Methodist Church. The autonomous affiliated church may be a useful and necessary next step in some countries toward a united Church which we see as the goal towards which we urge our members to work and pray."

7. Three papers were presented: (a) "The Preservation of Traditional African Values," by David Tshamala (b) "African Methodism and the Future" by Rev. Malcolm McVeigh, (c) "Temperance" by our Rev. Martin Chiza, (d) "Church Organization and Unity" by Rev. James Lawson.

### THE JOURNEY BACK HOME

We left Mulungwishi on the morning of the 5th of September at 6:05 a.m. We broke our fast in Elizabethville. Here we saw some of the places where the U.N.—Katangese battles took place. In many places one could see blown up bridges and houses with bullet holes in the walls. At 11:15 we arrived at Kasumbalesa, the Zambian border post. Here we were considerably delayed as the officer responsible for giving us permission to pass through Zambia had driven to Chingola. This delay as you will presently know was God-guided



because after our almost 2 hour delay we arrived at Kitwe at 5: 35 p.m. and branched to the Mindolo Ecumenical Centre where the Dodges were to remain. Here we saw the Hughes family. This is not all, for here one of the most dramatic things happened. The then Rev. Zunguze arrived within minutes of our arrival on his way to the Congo for his consecration. He told us of his equally dramatic journey. Having been taken almost unprepared by the news that he had been elected bishop he immediately made arrangements to come to the Congo for the consecration service. He was just in time, without reservation of any kind through the whole journey, for a plane to Beira to make connection with a plane to Salisbury. On this Salisbury plane only one seat had remained which he then took. At Salisbury he took a plane to Lusaka, Lusaka to Ndola, Ndola to Kitwe by road just in time to meet us. Had we not been delayed at Kasumbalesa we would have missed him or he would have missed us. Here in the Ecumenical Centre's chapel Rev. Zunguze was consecrated Bishop. The service was conducted by Bishop Dodge assisted by Revs. Kawadza, Murphree and Mucambe. After supper we left at 7: 35 p.m. and after stops at Broken Hill and Kariba we arrived in Salisbury on 5th September just in time for some of our friends to catch the Umtali 9: 30 p.m. train.

## **Agriculture**

**(Daily Proceedings No. 54)**

1. *Rural Training*: Mr. John Chitombo reported that the following agricultural-educational work was carried out at Arnoldine and Nyakatsapa:

(a) Raising peas for SunRho at Nyakatsapa, 10 tons of peas were sold in 1964.

(b) Twenty-nine farmers received government loans in 1964 at Nyakatsapa.

(c) Nyakatsapa Thrift Co-op has been renewed for savings and loan purposes.

(d) A fruit project at Nyakatsapa is being started in hopes of selling to SunRho.

(e) Raising breeding stock at Old Umtali for African farmers, especially pure bred cockerels.

(f) Introduction of improved pigs to 6 farmers at Arnoldine.

(g) Twenty-one farmers at Arnoldine have loans for 21 tons of fertilizer for 1964-1965 crops.

(h) A marketing co-operative at Arnoldine is now registered with the government in order to sell maize at the best price.

*Plans for the new year:*

(a) A maize growing competition at Arnoldine for 1965-66.

(b) Hopes are expressed for a big dam at Arnoldine. A chief concern in planning ahead is reduced budget. Mr. Chitombo has not been able to travel to the two farms for some times of the year due to this.

2. *Lord's Acre*: We recommend that our district superintendents, along with their lay leaders and pastors, implement without delay the Lord's Acre plan with people of all ages. Where they have difficulties, it should be so arranged by our Church so that they can obtain the assistance of John Chitombo in getting the plan started.

The Agriculture Committee feels that the relative failure of the plan thus far is due to lack of interest on the part of our district superintendents, our pastors and lay leaders, as well as other leading church workers.

We ask that the district superintendents be requested to include in their annual reports a statement of how many churches and individuals have taken up the Lord's Acre plan.

## **Audit**

(Daily Proceedings No. 23)

The following sets of books were audited when the Conference Committees met at Nyadiri Methodist Centre on January 5th, 1965.

	Bal. on hand
MREWA DISTRICT TREASURY	502-4-1
UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT TREASURER	68-9-7
UMBOWO	200-17-2
AFRICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION (South)	88-6-2½
RUKWADZANO RWE WADZIMAI (North and South)	1790-14-2

MUZITI SCHOOL: Because of fire and having the books burned, we began the audit as of October 7th with an arbitrary figure of £35-16-1. From that date the books were in order and the balance on hand January 5th was £4-14-3.

NYAKATSAPA FARMERS—audit incomplete. There was no bank balance sheet presented nor any cash brought to be counted. Since Feb. 1963 total receipts have been £208-3-6 and total paid out £65-11-7. This should leave a credit balance of £142-11-11. The Treasurer reports an extra 5/-.

STUDENT LOAN  
M.Y.F.

723-7-2  
6d

GATSI SCHOOL books were checked in December, 1964. No money was presented to be counted and no bank books were presented. The balance on hand should have been £205-0-10. Three large loans had been made from these school funds.

#### NO OTHER BOOKS WERE PRESENTED IN JANUARY

The Audit Committee did not hold a business session on Jan. 5th, 1965. Members present who assisted with the auditing were: S. Muzulu, C. Nyabvure, and E. Russell. Mrs. P. Taylor was co-opted.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

1. That all auditing in the future be carried on under the auspices of the Audit Committee of The Board of Finance and Co-ordination. This would eliminate the Conference Audit Committee and would also eliminate the confusion as to which committee audits which set of books.

### **Christian Convention, North**

(Daily Proceedings No. 31)

After very serious consideration, the Northern Christian Convention has decided that this Christian Convention should be dissolved. The meeting which last met in Mrewa voted unanimously in favour of the abolition of the Convention for the following reasons:

1. The Convention only presents an extra burden to our people by asking them to raise money and food for an organization in which they show an ever increasing lack of interest.

2. The people of the Convention now have many other channels for sending their requests to Annual Conference, and therefore, the Christian Convention North has outlived its usefulness.

3. Meetings such as the Quarterly Conferences, District Conferences, R.R.W. meetings, Wabvuwi, and M.Y.F., plus other various boards and committees are sufficient to meet the needs of the people.

4. Since we are failing to support our circuit budgets, there appears no reason to ask for extra sixpences, buckets of mealie meal, and tea and bread from our people.

The balance of £87-18-0 in the treasury of the Christian Convention has been voted to be paid to the Scholarship Committee of the Rhodesia Annual Conference to be used for scholarship grants.

### **Christian Convention, South**

(Daily Proceedings No. 11)

The 36th Southern Christian Convention met at Samanga Methodist Church on January 22, 1965. There were eighty members present.

1. We of the Southern Section felt that the Christian Convention must be continued. We are inviting all Christians to join us next year at the Zuze Methodist Church, Makoni District. This is the only conference where all, old and young people, can attend and bring out all local, circuit, and district problems.

2. Beer Drinking. We strongly request to all district superintendents and school managers to do something to the teachers of our children who drink. Our children are failing to see their future because of this poor example from leaders.

3. Grading. This is a good method of bringing most of our children through life without future. Grading can be a good thing if all grades will have their ways through——e.g. Grade 3 should have something to do within the line of 3 and 4. (Referred to the Board of Education).

4. Retired Ministers, Laymen, or Laywomen. We strongly recommend that our Conference should do something about our retired ministers, laymen, and laywomen, particularly those without relatives or help-

ers. (Referred to the Board of Pensions). In our Conference there are many laymen and women who are in great need (Referred to our local churches to do what is possible to help them).

5. We recommend that all missions and centres put aside land for the Lord's Acre, so that all small churches will copy this good example.

## **Christian Education**

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 18, 36)

### **A. REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE DIRECTOR**

Our Church must teach or die. Unless children and youth know God's love through Jesus Christ so that they respond in love and faith, the Church will become weak and die within our lifetime. Unless adults grow to understand God's will for them, His church, and Rhodesia in 1965, the Church will remain weak.

We call every member to become a teacher of the faith. Mothers, fathers, boys and girls—all must be able to tell what Christ means to them. But a good teacher must continue to learn. He must learn what to teach. He must learn how to teach.

During 1964-65 we tried to do these things to strengthen the teaching ministry of the Rhodesia Annual Conference.

1 *To Rethink the Conference Programme of Christian Education.* We thank Dr. Gerald Harvey, Field Consultant in Christian Education for the world Methodist Church for his work with us during October. He helped us to think about the many parts of Christian education, listed below:

2. *To Strengthen the Pastor* as the circuit leader in Christian education. Dr. Harvey taught us at Pastor's School, O.U.B.I. and at Epworth that Christian education is as important as preaching in the ministry of the pastor. The pastor is the director of Christian education in his circuit. The district Christian education worker assists him to train leaders and buy materials. We thank the pastors for their leadership during the past year.

3. *To train every Sunday school teacher, class meeting and youth leader.* Pastors together with the district Christian education workers travelled widely to local

churches in this work. But leaders need regular meetings for training and fellowship. We recommend that Sunday school teachers meet weekly, and that class meeting and youth leaders meet monthly in each church.

4. *To rethink the Vocation of the Christian teacher.* The school-teacher is called by God to serve through his work, just as much as the pastor, or doctor, or farmer, or clerk. At Ranche House College, Salisbury, in October fifty of our leaders thought together about this important matter. You may read their findings in *The Teacher in Church and School—A Study Guide* (1/6). We recommend it for discussion by our teachers and all church leaders.

5. *To improve our literature for Christian education.* Our church leads all others in the use of the All-Africa Sunday School Curriculum in this country. Every church should now prepare to buy the second-year lessons.

We thank the Board of Communications and Mr. E. Makunike for adding the adult Sunday School lessons to the new *Umbowo*. We are proud of this paper. As Christians we wish to learn, not only about the Bible, but about our church and the world of today so that we may "redeem the time, because the days are evil" (Ephesians 5: 16).

These tasks remain. I would, however, add to them the following aims for 1965-6:

(1) *To improve the training of our leaders, by*

a. *Laboratory Schools:* In these practical courses for leaders, after learning how we should lead, we practice teaching Sunday School, leading MYF or class meeting, or preaching under the supervision of our teacher.

b. *Kajola Bible Correspondence Course.* Now you can in 36 lessons study at home the Bible, Church History, and the Church in Society. Study in Shona or English. The cost is 7/6 only. Write to Conference Christian Education, Arnoldine, P.O. Headlands.

(2) *To reach the unreached, and teach the untaught:*

a. We need new Sunday schools where we have no day schools, and in homes of those who live too far away to come to church.

b. We need new groups for children 7-11 years of age—a junior MYF for fellowship, teaching, and service.

c. We need new groups for older youth and young adults—especially for school leavers.

Great is the task before us, but greater still is the power and grace given to those who are in Christ Jesus.

## B. REPORT ON CHRISTIAN HOME AND FAMILY LIFE

This committee worked well at the task of teaching how to build Christian homes. We found a great need for this teaching in all of the Conference districts. We are making arrangements to help on these lines, but we request help from all.

March, 1965 was Christian Home and Family Life month. Mr. E. Saburi thanks everyone who helped him during the month. Dr. M. Johnson and Miss Scovill were especially helpful in giving their time and knowledge in preparing posters and duplicated materials.

The following requests were made:

1. We should encourage men to bring their wives to classes on Christian Family Life Courses.

2. We should teach boys and girls to look after their parents.

3. What is the full meaning of Christian Marriage?

4. What can be done to help the families just before the marriage to come to a settlement more peacefully? All over the Conference we found the boys complaining about the parents of the bride making demands above the actual lobola. Sometimes it has ended with the boy refusing the girl.

5. How can we show the practice of lobola is not a good Christian practice?

6. We should teach families how to earn and spend money.

7. We should be teaching the best ways to keep Church money and money for building schools.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

### A. THE WORK OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### I. *Primary Responsibilities*

1. Sunday Schools

2. Methodist Youth Fellowship

3. Class Meetings

4. Christian Home and Family Life
  5. Junior Church
  6. Older Youth and Young Adults
  7. Adult Education
  8. Older Adults
  9. Camps, Campmeeting classes, Retreats
  10. Training of Leaders for Christian Education  
Laboratory Schools including practice teaching  
Directors of Christian Education
  11. Preparation of Materials for: Sunday School,  
Class Meetings, M.Y.F., Scripture Scheme for  
schools, Leadership Training Courses.
- II. Shared or Cooperative Tasks:*
1. Girl Guides and Boy Scouts
  2. Vocational Guidance
  3. Audio-Visual Aids
  4. Stewardship Education
  5. Official Board Training
  6. Pastors School
  7. Music and Drama
  8. Christian Centres
  9. Preparation of Materials for: a. Audio-Visual,  
b. Stewardship, c. Evangelism, d. Home and Family Life, e. Devotional Materials, f. Leadership Courses.

## B. CHILDREN

1. It is the responsibility of the OFFICIAL BOARD of each local church to buy Sunday school, class meeting, and MYF materials for each group.

2. We recommend that Sunday school teachers be composed of interested day-school teachers, parents, and older students. Each Sunday School superintendent should hold regular meetings for his teachers for training, planning, and discussion of problems.

3. Encourage regular attendance and progress in Sunday school by giving small gifts to those who attend regularly and on time, such as Bible pictures, small books, etc. The local church should be responsible to provide them.

4. All schools should buy materials needed for effective Scripture classes and class meetings. These should include a box of Bible teaching pictures.

5. Head teachers, assistant teachers and parents



should cooperate in improving church attendance by children. In the church, children should be given duties such as putting flowers, collecting the offering, junior choir, etc.

6. We recommend that a new daily scripture scheme, and a weekly class meeting scheme be prepared for use in schools.

### C. YOUTH

1. We recommend Bishop Dodge's pamphlets, "The Church and . . ." series for answering the questions of youth. Those who have more questions should send them to the Bishop through the Christian education office so that they can be answered in this series.

2. Sunday school and MYF lessons should include sex education. We encourage local groups to invite doctors and pastors to speak to youth on this subject. A book should also be published.

3. We encourage the M.Y.F. to invite older men and women to address their groups, so that youth and their elders can better understand one another.

### D. CLASS MEETINGS

1. We recommend that class meetings in schools be divided according to pupils' ages rather than church membership.

2. We urge every pastor to organize special classes for those preparing for baptism and/or confirmation at the next quarterly conference.

3. See that every class leader is provided with needed books. Encourage plenty of pupil activity rather than lectures.

4. We recommend for school class meetings the following: Sub A-Std. 3, *Katekisima*; Std. 4-6, the *Waedzwa Book* (given a new name). In addition we recommend that a book on the History of the Methodist Church be written and included. The time of class meetings should be used for lessons, and not just for collecting money.

### E. ADULT EDUCATION

1. We urge our people to participate and lead in the new national adult literacy program.

2. We believe that a literacy program will be most effective if led by a non-denominational group.

3. Therefore we recommend that the Rhodesia Annual Conference cooperate with those groups already started through pilot schemes to teach adults to read.

#### F. HOME AND FAMILY LIFE

1. To help a family to be Christian there should be:
  - a. A right choice of partner.
  - b. A Christian marriage.
  - c. Father and mother who cooperate with each other.
  - d. Father, mother, and children showing Christian love.
  - e. Good care of the family.
  - f. Daily family devotions and prayer.
  - g. Working and playing as a family unit.
2. Family unity can be deepened by sitting together in church as a family. This should be emphasized by the pastors, district superintendents, and Christian education workers.
3. We recommend the forming of Couples Clubs where desired. Husband and wife should join together. They will meet in the evenings with others for recreation, discussion, debates, and prayers.
4. We recommend that Mr. Saburi and others prepare additional lessons concerning Home and Family Life including these ideas.
5. The Christian Home and Family Life Institutes begun by Mr. E. Saburi should be continued and strengthened.
6. Missionaries make a great witness through their family life and their children. We encourage them to send their children to schools where they live wherever possible.

#### G. FUNDS FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. We recommend that we increase our support within Rhodesia for the program of Christian Education of our conference.
2. *In Local Churches:*
  - a. Each church should be taught to buy their own literature.
  - b. Give a special offering on Christian education Sunday.
  - c. Begin weekly offerings in Sunday school.

- d. Ask the Vabvuwi, R.R.W. and M.Y.F. to support this work.
  - e. Use part of your Harvest Sunday offering for Christian education.
  - f. Hold a jumble sale.
  - g. Ask everyone in your community to give gifts.
  - h. Have a Lord's Acre for Christian education.
3. *In Our Conference.*
- a. Our Conference assessments could include money for this work.
  - b. Use Christian Education Sunday offerings to support our conference program.

## **Christian Social Concerns**

(Daily Proceedings No. 52)

1. During the past conference year we have known disappointment and regret as our Bishop and the Reverend Robert Hughes and their families were taken from us. The Christian Social Concerns Committee wishes to take this opportunity to express sincere appreciation and gratitude to those members of the church community whose loving concern was so much in evidence as a vigorous protest was made against the deportation action. Furthermore, we wish to commend the Christian spirit which was transformed into action as so many made an additional effort to ensure that the Church would not only maintain itself, but would continue to move forward in the face of adversity.

2. In the light of recent developments in Rhodesia, we are concerned about the possibility of a unilateral declaration of independence and the consequences this action would bring. We are convinced that this kind of unilateral action would cause a further deterioration in the already strained relationship which exists between the major races of this country. We, therefore, appeal to the powers that be to seek an early solution that will bring the races together for all time.

In our view, the first step required is the calling of a round table conference where the leaders of all the racial groups in our country can iron out their differences in a spirit of give and take.

3. We are thankful that many people who were con-

stantly afraid for their personal safety during the past year of political disturbances can now work, study and travel without fear. Relations between European and Africans, however, have not improved during this period. Basic causes of unrest still remain. We wonder if any real peace can be achieved while barriers defined by race remain. We seek a free society in which all men have equal opportunity, according to their ability, to gain better education, housing, land, political representation and social opportunities.

4. We recognize that it is the function of the police to maintain law and order and to investigate disorderly conduct. Wherever the police have faithfully done this, we commend them. We are, however, greatly concerned at the number of reports of police brutality during the processes of investigation, and of rough treatment during the transport of persons to restriction and detention areas. We urge our people to report any incidents of maltreatment to the proper authorities as soon after the events as possible.

5. We would express our concern for the families of persons who have been restricted. We wish to express gratitude to BOFAC for the grant of £200 to help pay school fees for some of the children of restrictees. We would especially commend the work of the Christian Action Group in Salisbury for their aid to these families insofar as it was possible within the limits of their resources. We would strongly urge the local church to meet their responsibility for helping those families within their community.

6. We also wish to repeat a recommendation to this Conference for very serious consideration by our pastors and laymen. Whenever a person is arrested and placed in confinement, this person needs pastoral care and encouragement, and often the needs of the families of the one being detained may be urgent and serious. We encourage our pastors to make special efforts to visit and minister to the needs of any of their members who may be imprisoned and see that their families are not neglected. If a member is imprisoned in another community, the pastor should contact the pastor serving that area requesting visitation.

7. We realize the impossibility of every pastor visiting

those from his area who are imprisoned, restricted or detained. Therefore, we recommend that the cabinet appoint a chaplain to restructees and detainees. His work will be to minister to the spiritual needs of these persons. In addition he will seek to counsel and in many ways assist them and their families.

We have requested, through BOFAC, money from M.C.O.R. for the chaplain's salary and expenses. When this money is received, the Committee on Christian Social Concerns shall prepare a detailed budget.

We request that the chaplain administer this budget. He shall act as Executive Secretary of the Committee on Christian Social Concerns, reporting to it regularly concerning his work and expenditures. (Referred to the Cabinet).

8. We recommend that the Conference Calendar Committee set aside a Sunday in the near future as a special day to be observed as "Christian Social Concerns Sunday" throughout the conference. On this day we urge that a special message be prepared by our Bishop to be read in all pulpits. We regret that this recommendation in the past has been only lightly observed, and we ask that a real effort be made to bring this important subject before our people.

9. We urge that we as a Methodist Church continue our witness of total abstinence from all alcoholic beverages, and commend those principals, school managers, district superintendents, ministers, teachers, and laymen, who have the courage to uphold the standards of our church institutions.

10. We would like to see a joint interdenominational approach to the common and increasing problem of alcoholism.

## **Communications**

**(Daily Proceedings No. 37)**

### **A. REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE DIRECTOR**

I cannot start this report without first thanking the whole Conference for the wonderful privilege it gave my wife and me to study in India for four years. We are pleased to report to you that we enjoyed our study there very greatly, even though the food was often too hot for us. But you will be pleased to know

that we did not get hot ourselves. We met and made many friends during those few years. We want to share this friendship with you.

In all humility and gratitude, I thank the Board of Publications and the Cabinet for the confidence they conferred upon me in appointing me to a position of this nature. Special mention is due to my predecessor, the Rev. Eisenberg for the wonderful spirit he showed in seeing me well started. He was ever ready to give every assistance possible. My colleagues, Mr. Matzigkeit, Mr. Chikwanha, Dr. Morgan Johnson, Mr. C. Zisengwe and the rest of them have been most gracious indeed. Without their consideration and tolerance, I should have found my task impossible to manage. The members of the Board of Publications are simply excellent people, keenly versed with and interested in the advancement of literature. Two of them are former directors of this Board while the rest have their special contribution to make through their wide experience and wisdom. I would have been helpless without them. Its committees met often, towards the end of last year. Many resolutions were passed, and many put into effect, thanks to the dynamic zeal of its former director.

## 1. NEW PRESS BUILDING NOW IN USE

### **Long Dreams Come True!**

With the coming of the new year, come also the services of the new Press Building. It was my privilege to start my work in this modern and spacious building. The closeness of the literature programme to the place of printing means improved coordination as a team, economy in time and efficiency in quality. We write in the same building. We edit in the same building, we proof-read in the same building, we print and bind in the same building. We sell from the same building. My thanks go to all those who have laboured to realize this dream, especially Mr. Matzigkeit, the press manager, for his first-rate business-sense. We are harvesting the fruits of his labour.

## 2. BOOK DISTRIBUTION

(a) Our district superintendents and ministers and many other Church workers are helping us in a

wonderful way in taking books to the people. Our R.E. Workers, under their director, the Rev. N. Thomas, are doing excellent work especially with youth books.

We are experimenting with a smaller car to distribute our books in the hope of cutting down petrol costs. So far the results seem good.

(b) Many unrelated agencies order our books in considerable quantities. Our big buyers are the Umtali secular Book Stores, Salisbury Christian Book Stores and many other denominations. Our new Ngomas have been in good demand.

(c) Our retail out-let at Old Umtali has already sold many books. Many people now know a bookshop exists at Old Umtali.

### 3. BOOK PRODUCTION

The new policy of tying book production to a running programme is proving a good one.

(a) *The R.R.W. song book* is popular with women. The Class Meeting Book, Makokorodzano and Vaedzwa are popular with ministers and class leaders.

(b) "*Cooking Can Be Fun*" by Mrs. Sells was printed and sold out. New Prints have just been completed. Club women and modern women must not miss this.

(c) *The Church and . . .* Series by Bishop Dodge continue to interest teachers and students in higher classes. They have found favour with university circles. Recently a youth worker from Zambia bought lots of them. This is original material, covering the popular questions of our time. They thus meet a long-felt need.

(d) *The Teacher in Church and School* (a study guide) published by our Conference Christian Education is a compilation of works by distinguished familiar church men. Copies are limited however.

(e) *Easy Bookkeeping* by Mrs. Kinyon is still one of our treasured possessions. Church treasurers are finding their work much easier because of our Easy Bookkeeping Book.

(f) *Music Books*. In addition to many music books written by Mr. Kauffman, a youth book is soon coming, if only we get our tonic-sol-fa problem solved.

(g) *Booklet For New Converts* by Rev. M. Murphree. A very kind American printer-friend, Mr. Francis Byers of Marion Press offered to print this book free of charge. His M.Y.F. group helped in packing. Two weeks ago these books began arriving. Rev. H. D. Griffin will handle these books for distribution by his evangelist team. On your behalf we said "thank you" to these American friends.

(h) *Miss Scovill on the Concoordance*

As far as we know Miss Scovill's book will be the first of its kind. Progress has been made and the final printing details are being explored. This has been a highly scholarly and painstaking job and only Miss Scovill could have done such a job. She deserves our praise.

(i) Many other books are in their rough drafts by various people in our Conference. We hope they should be out during the coming Conference year.

#### 4. INTER-DENOMINATIONAL LITERACY COOPERATION

Bold schemes are expected on literature by the Southern Rhodesian Christian Conference. Our Church has been a strong member of this country-wide Christian venture right from its start. We hope our Annual Conference will continue to authorise this support in money and other forms. Just now the S.R.C.C. through its secretary Rev. Thorpe is requesting our Church to contribute the sum of £350 annually for administrative purposes. The Synod is giving £550. Other churches too, are doing their share.

Mrs. J. Chitombo, Mrs. H. Dhlakama, Mrs. Brancel and Mrs. Samudzimu are busy with adult literacy groups. We are proud of them.

#### 5. DR. DORIS HESS IS COMING

(a) Dr. Hess our literature consultant from New York, will be in Rhodesia from June 30 to July 13. She is on her second visit to Africa. She will participate at an extraordinary Planning Editors Conference in Zambia. Mr. E. Makunike and Mr. C. Zisengwe will attend this meeting.



E. Makunike has also been invited by the "Lit-Lit" of New York to attend a literacy International Seminar in the Jordan side of Jerusalem from May 14 to June 12. Our Church has allowed him to attend this. We hope this will enrich our literature programme.

#### 6. LITERATURE WORKSHOP July 9-13, Old Umtali Biblical Institute.

This will be a workshop for those who want to learn to write. A team of expert teachers is lined up to teach different subjects. Miss Hess is a doctor in Journalism. She has been all over the world helping Christian writers. This will be our chance. Dr. Fortune, head of African Languages at the University College of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, has agreed to come and help teach. There will be many other teachers.

#### 7. UMBOWO

It now has more pages and is larger in every way. It is now registered at the G.P.O. as a newspaper. It will now come to you every month. Advertisements are helping to keep the cost down. Our Executive passed that it must have a women's page, youth page and home and family page. A sports page and feature pages are being worked out.

The marriage between Umbowo and Sunday School at first confused some people but after explanation most people now like it. With more experience and cooperation from those who send in articles, we hope to produce the paper promptly by the beginning of each month so that people do not miss their Sunday School lessons.

We are trying to put both Shona and English. We hope more and more people will write for and read Umbowo. Many schools are buying large numbers of copies. Churches and hospitals are doing the same. Every day we receive letters of people of all kinds subscribing for the UMBOWO. This is most encouraging. May the Lord Himself speak through these printed words.

#### B. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that the following form the Audio-Visual subcommittee: Rev's E. Jijita, chairman; N. Tho-

mas; M. Johnson; H. Griffin; J. Kaemmer; Mr. Mukurazhizha.

2. *Stewardship*: We recommend to Cabinet and BOFAC that a full-time director of Stewardship be appointed with a running budget. As a board handling the publishing of various materials, we recognize the need of someone definitely responsible in this field, as in Evangelism and Christian Education in the promotion of Stewardship literature, its distribution and teaching.

3. That the pilot scheme of the literacy committee of S.R.C.C. be transferred from the Board of Communication to the Board of Christian Education.

### **Conference Hospitality**

(Daily Proceedings No. 70)

1. *Accommodations*: Special arrangements for Bishop and his assistant, invited guests, couples to be housed together if both attending, where possible. First preference to be given to the District Superintendents, then to others in order of application received. Women in dormitory, delegates and ministers and missionary men unaccompanied by wives in dormitories.

The cost of 2/- per night for accommodation must cover costs of light and water for all the buildings used, soap for dormitory use, toilet paper, labour for cleaning and preparation of buildings, spray and chemicals used.

2. *Utensils*: There exists a conference supply of dishes, kitchen equipment, etc., which has accumulated over a number of years. These items are stored when not in use at conference time, and must be moved from station to station, wherever the conference is held. Thus there is some transport expense here. In addition, replacements of these supplies must be made from time to time, and this cost must come from the food charge.

3. *Labour*: We feel this must be left up to the best judgement of the local station which is entertaining. It involves help in kitchen, dining room, classroom, moving beds, tables, equipment etc. in preparation for conference.

4. *Bishop's Reception*: We recommend that the group providing the program for this occasion bear whatever costs might be connected with presenting that program. However, we feel the local station should provide the refreshments (Coca Colas, etc.) which has usually been taken from food costs.

5. *Price*: We feel for the quality and quantity of food and accommodation we are requesting, that the present price of 10/- per day for food and 2/- per day for accommodation is reasonable. However, we recommend that no station should charge any higher. Further, when Old Umtali Hospitality Committee has completed their financial record, they will report to this committee, in order to consider a possible lowering of costs in the future.

6. *Length of Conference*: We recommend that Conference begin on Tuesday evening and be concluded on Sunday evening, thus, cutting the total cost for each delegate and minister to £2-10-0 for food, or £3 in all.

## **Conference Reorganization**

(Daily Proceedings No. 25, 57)

1. *Board of Finance and Coordination*: We recommend that the Executive Secretary for Education, the Executive Secretary of Ngariende, and a representative of the Medical Board be added to BOFAC as ex-officio members during the 1964-68 quadrennium. They shall be without vote, unless they were previously elected as members of the Conference.

2. *Committee on Organization*: We recommend that the present Committee to study Conference Reorganization be continued as a committee of Conference during this quadrennium, and that its name be changed to the Committee on Organization.

3. *Memorial to General Conference*: We recommend that a memorial be sent to General Conference in 1966 asking that in the Africa Central Conference, each of the four areas be permitted to elect its own bishop.

4. *Bishop's Administrative Assistant*: It is to be understood that the bishop may choose an administrative assistant to act in his behalf as he desires.

5. *Cabinet*: We recommend to the bishop that the cabinet should be composed of the bishop as chairman, his administrative assistant, the district superintendents, the Executive Secretary for Education, the Executive Secretary of Ngariende, and a representative from the Medical Board.

6. *Length of Annual Conference*: We recommend that Annual Conference begin on Tuesday evening. (Referred to the Conference Hospitality Committee).

### **Deaconesses**

(Daily Proceedings No. 43)

The two young women who have now completed an additional year of guided study at the Old Umtali Biblical Institute in addition to the course in Evangelism, are employed as of this year. One is at Rusape, as a Religious Education Worker in the developing activities of a Christian Centre. The other is at Mutambara as matron of the Girls' Boarding Department. The question of their being commissioned as deaconesses will be presented for discussion at conference in 1966, as we feel they need at least one year's experience.

One of the lay leaders of the conference was present and stated very strongly a definite need for young women to be prepared as workers with women, especially in the rural areas, and suggested a similar program to that of the Jeanes teachers of earlier years. We refer this matter of need and support to the Rukwadzano to be discussed at Dumba. While there is not a program at present, we are looking forward to a definite deaconess program when the needs and ideas of training are more clearly formulated.

### **Ecumenical Relations**

(Daily Proceedings No. 12)

We ask our chairman, Rev. Kawadza, to reopen discussions with the Synod on church union and to make contacts with other groups as the United Church, Free Methodists, etc.

### **Education**

(Daily Proceedings No. 21)

1. *Redistricting School Districts, Umtali Area*:

We recommend that the proposed redistricting of the school districts in the Umtali area as proposed by the District Superintendents and Managers of that area be accepted to take effect the third term, 1965. This would create a new Zimunya District of 20 schools with headquarters at Zimunya Township temporarily, and would reduce the number of schools for other managers in the area.

*2. Collection of 1/6 for Manager's Salaries:*

By the third term, 1965, all manager's basic salaries probably will be paid by the government. Because the Conference must continue to pay the Manager's Responsibility Allowances and because we are not certain of funds, we recommend that 1/6 be collected in 1966 as before and that the situation be reviewed with the intent of lowering the amount by 1967.

*3. A United Teacher Training College:*

We affirm support for our denomination joining in discussions on a possible United Teacher Training College, supported by various denominations, in the eastern area of Rhodesia.

*4. Community Classes:*

We recommend that school managers not advance or loan district money for the operation of community classes.

*5. Salary Advances:*

We recommend that principals and managers be reminded of the statement by Bishop Dodge that giving salary in advance is done wholly at the personal risk of the principal or manager, who takes full responsibility in case of loss.

*6. Student Loan Fund:*

Managers and principals are directed to start at once, if they have not already, to arrange for monthly deductions from salaries of those teachers who owe money to the Student Loan Fund. The school managers are to submit the names of those who say they have paid to the Student Loan Committee.

*7. Textbook Purchases:*

a) We urge managers and principals to purchase textbooks from Methodist Literature if at all possible.

- b) We urge Methodist Literature to establish a business-like procedure with managers and principals for ordering, delivering and paying for textbooks.
- c) We appoint the Executive Secretary to represent managers and principals in establishing a book discount pattern with Methodist Literature.
- d) We recommend that in each school district *only* managers be responsible for purchasing, distributing, selling textbooks. Teachers, head teachers, or others are not to purchase or sell textbooks unless they have written permission of the manager. Failure to observe this rule should result in disciplinary action.

8. *Secondary Schools, Change of Names:*

We recommend that from January 1, 1966, our secondary schools be known as "high schools," thus the names would be: Nyamuzuwe Methodist High School, Mrewa Methodist High School, Hartzell Methodist High School, and Mutambara Methodist High School. Any future secondary schools in our Conference would follow the same name pattern.

9. *Educational Appointments:*

We recommend that the Executive Secretary, Board of Education, be responsible for recommending educational appointments to Cabinet.

10. *Secondary Schools Curriculum Committee:*

It is recommended that a committee, composed of the headmaster and one staff member from each secondary school, be created to deal specifically with secondary curriculum program and planning. The staff member is to be selected at each school by the principal in consultation with the headmaster.

11. *Primary School Headmasters:*

It is recommended that from January, 1966 the Upper and Lower Primary Schools at Old Umtali and Mutambara be combined with only one headmaster at each place. With the departure of teacher training from both centres, separate headmasters are not necessary.

12. *Executive Committee, Board of Education:*

We recommend the establishment of an Executive Committee of the Board of Education to act between

regular meetings of the Board and to be composed of the following members: 1. Chairman, Board of Education; 2. Rev. D. Chikosi, Member; 3. Recording Sec'y; 4. Executive Sec'y.

### 13. *Contracts:*

We recommend that contracts be entered into with all school personnel. Legal opinion should be sought in drawing up all standard contract forms. The requirements and information placed in the contracts should be compiled by the Executive Secretary in consultation with the school administrators involved and approved by the Board of Education.

### 14. *Post-Standard Six Technical Education Committee*

It is recommended that the following sub-committee of the Board of Education be established to investigate the possibilities of technical training for Standard Six passes who cannot gain admission to secondary school.

N. Gandanzara, F. Brancel, Exec. Sec'y, Mrs. J. Chitombo, B. Higgs.

### 15. *School Expansion:*

a) We recommend expansion at our post-Standard Six centre schools on the following plan:

CLASS	Mutambara 65 66 67 68 69	Old Umtali 65 66 67 68 69	Nyamuzuwe 65 66 67 68 69	Mrewa 65 66 67 68 69
Form I	2 2 2 3 3	3 3 3 3 3	2 3 3 3 3	2 2 2 3 3
Form II	- 2 2 2 3	2 3 3 3 3	2 2 3 3 3	2 2 2 2 3
Form III	- - 1 1 1	1 2 2 2 2	- - 1 1 1	1 2 2 2 2
Form IV	- - - 1 1	1 1 2 2 2	- - - 1 1	1 1 2 2 2

This would mean the following secondary classes at the centres:

1965: 19    1966: 25    1967: 30    1968: 34    1969: 36

We note that the Form III class recommended to be added at Mrewa in 1966 will be in place of a Form III in 1966 at Nyamuzuwe and that this class at Mrewa will serve the Nyamuzuwe Form II classes.

b) We recommend the establishment of rural secondary schools in our Conference based on geographical need.

c) We recommend that a working committee composed of the following persons be appointed to plan the development of a rural secondary school to be located at Mt. Makomwe in the Marange area: Chairman, D.S. Umtali South, Manager Marange District Schools, Circuit Pastor Mt. Makomwe, Lay Leader Umtali South, Executive Secretary Board of Education, Chief Marange (Ex Officio).

This committee met on April 14, 1965 and we recommend acceptance of the following report from that committee:

1. A secondary school be established at Mt. Makomwe as soon as possible. We recommend that we open a secondary school at Mt. Makomwe in 1966, providing it is approved by the Ministry of Education and that staffing is available.

2. Any qualified student in the area be considered for acceptance.

3. Start, if necessary, with only one stream.

4. Seek government approval for the school.

5. Negotiate a lease for the site.

16. *Standard Six Results:*

Noting the report of Standard Six results for 1964, we recommend that the Executive Secretary in consultation with managers and principals seek ways to improve the Standard Six results.

17. *Rhodesian African Teachers' Association:*

We recommend that all teachers support the efforts of the Rhodesian African Teachers' Organisation to raise standards of education in Rhodesia.

## **Evangelical Association**

(Daily Proceedings No. 41)

For a number of years the Protestant work in Beira has been united through a committee made up of representatives from the Mozambique Methodist Conference, the Rhodesia Methodist Conference, the Swiss Mission, the American Board—United Church of Christ, with other associate (non-voting) bodies like the Methodist Synod and the South African General



Mission. Funds for this work are channeled through this body now known as the Evangelical Association, formerly the Beira Committee.

Before his retirement, the late Rev. R. C. Gates served as our representative for a number of years. His passing was noted by the Association with deep sorrow. When he left Rhodesia, I was elected to the committee, and later the name of Rev. E. Matongo was added, giving us two representatives along with the United Church of Christ.

The annual meeting of 1964 was delayed from April to September. It was reported then that the permission to construct a new church was not granted. The only alternative was to do extensive repair to the Esturro which was in very poor condition. The work continues to go forward, such as that of pastors, the youth work, literature promotion, and student scholarship.

The 1965 annual meeting was held last week in Umtali. Prior to this was the annual church conference held in Beira. We received the very encouraging report of Rev. E. Kaltenreider that the old building has been completely remodeled, and that more and better facilities are now available than ever before. A thanksgiving service is to be held this May 9th. This indeed is good news.

The policy has always been to maintain an interdenominational and inter-racial church in Beira. Now two other Protestant groups have opened work. We need to pray for the strengthening of the church's witness as never before.

The Association has asked the Swiss Mission to recruit another couple to replace the Kaltenreiders upon their retirement in two years.

The membership of this group has been changing very much. Since Rev. T. Curtis has served as Rhodesia treasurer, they asked, if possible, that Conference elect one of our Umtali members, Miss Mildred Taylor, to serve as Conference representative for one year while the Curtises are away. Then if elected next year, Mr. Curtis would be glad to serve again along with our other representative.

## **Finance**

(Daily Proceedings Nos. 27, 29)

1. It is recommended that the Conference Financial Assessments to the churches of the Conference for the year of 1965-1966 be in accordance with the following, to be allocated to the churches on a per member basis:

Episcopal Fund (2% of Minister's Salaries)	£ 300-0-0
General Conference	20-0-0
Annual Conference Administration & Conf. Treas.	135-0-0
Central Conference Travel of Delegates, etc.	135-0-0
Conference Secretarial Expenses	30-0-0
Conference Reports Preparation	40-0-0
Moving of Ministers within Conference Area	300-0-0
Pension Fund Share from Churches	400-0-0
Ministers Annual Conference Food & Travel	300-0-0
Travel of Conference Lay Leader	50-0-0
Travel of Fraternal Delegates of Conf.	30-0-0
Salaries of District Superintendents	1398-0-0
Annual Dues All Africa Conference Churches	50-0-0
Ngariende Missions & Evangelism Assessment	150-0-0

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Total Assessments for 1965-1966	£3338-0-0
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2. It is recommended that the Financial Grants toward the Budgets of the individual Units of Work of the Conference be in accordance with the attached "RHODESIA 1965-66 BUDGET PLAN," which distributes all of the monies that are available to the church from overseas, plus all Government educational grants earned by missionaries working in Rhodesia.

3. We recommend that Ministerial Training Sunday be placed on the Conference Calendar, and an offering taken in every local church on that special day, for the support of our programme of Ministerial Training.

4. We recommend that the Conference Treasurer withhold from the Church Assistance Program subsidy grants to the churches, the Conference Assessments of the churches for each quarter for those circuits receiving assistance from these funds. Further, if after the first quarter of the next Conference year, the assessments for the previous year of 1964-65 have not been paid in full, we recommend that these payments

in arrears also be withheld from the Church Assistance Program subsidy grants, (1/3 of the total in arrears for each of the next three quarters of the current year 65-66) to meet all assessments so that all assessments of the past and present year will be met by the end of the next Conference year. We ask that Rev. Kawadza and the Conference Treasurer visit each District Conference at the beginning of the 65-66 Conference year, and explain to them the Conference Assessments, and the accumulated debt that is theirs, if any.

### **Historical Society** (Daily Proceedings No. 51)

The Methodist Historical Society met at Nyadiri in January 1965, and also during the week of conference at Old Umtali. The committee elected Rev. Hunter D. Griffin as its chairman, Mr. J. Schevenius as secretary. *Archivist's Report*

Since the appointment in January 1965 of Mrs. E. Kinyon as Conference Archivist, we have been able to establish a "permanent home" or library for the historical material of our Conference in the corner room off the Old Umtali Biblical Institute library. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Rev. Sells and Baba Greeley who first started collecting materials in 1938 for our Conference Archives, and to Rev. Griffin for making room available to us. Anyone who is interested in studying these old records is invited to the library for any research he or she may wish to do. There were several boxes full of materials left by Rev. Sells before his retirement last year and these have all been sorted into general classifications, but there is much work remaining to get proper index files and cross-references made of all materials. There are hundreds of pictures to be identified and put into a permanent file.

There were £200 turned over for Archives work from Rev. Sells Equipment Fund. From this amount Mrs. Kinyon used £27.16.7 for curtains to keep the Archives room dark to preserve old records; two display cases have been purchased and various supplies for preparing the conference display at the Secondary School.

The balance of £172.3.5 is being held in the Central Bookkeeping office at Old Umtali.

It has been a privilege to have had the opportunity to work on the Archives these few months and a great spiritual blessing to learn of the great heritage which we have in this Conference through the faithful work of our early Christians—both Africans and missionaries. The fact that we have with us at this conference Mr. Bento Navess, whose grandfather's brother, Tizore Navess was the first African minister to be ordained here 60 years ago, indicates very clearly how God works from one generation to another in the building of His kingdom. May God continue to lead as the Historical Society continues its important work for future generations of our church.

### *Recommendations*

Today's work will be history tomorrow.

1. We ask the help of all conference members and workers to help in sending to the Archivist any materials of developments of new work within our conference.

2. We ask that "Conference Archives Library" be put on the mailing list of the following: *Umbowo, Africa Christian Advocate*, minutes of BOFAC, Missionary Committee, Information Letters from Salisbury office.

3. We ask the Conference Secretary to send at least 12 copies of the Conference Journal each year to the Archives Library. (We have approximately 24 copies of most of the journals from 1901 to 1959 and a smaller number after that date).

### **Lay Activities**

(Daily Proceedings No. 67)

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily besets us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith." Hebrews 12: 1-2.

### *RECOMMENDATIONS*

1. We would like to commend whole-heartedly those

district superintendents, ministers, district lay leaders and many other church leaders who have faithfully carried out their responsibilities by visiting their folk, by praying for the sick, by wise counselling, by restoring peace where there has been misunderstandings, and for the many other good things they did. But we are also deeply concerned by increasing reports of many church leaders who are not giving full support to the church.

2. We recommend as a matter of urgency that ministers with the help of local church leaders check on teachers as regards church membership and transfers. Those completing their training or completing Form 4 should be given transfers before leaving the centres.

3. We recommend that delegates of this Conference report before the First Quarterly Conference.

4. We recommend very strongly that there be a close cooperation between the district superintendents and their district lay leaders. Before each district conference the two should make out the agenda for the conference and other necessary preparations. They can secure the help of the Conference delegates if they so wish.

5. We recommend that when the district treasurer receives the assistance from the Conference Treasurer, he should send this to the circuit treasurers indicating that the money for the assessments has been deducted from this assistance fund.

6. We recommend Mr. William Marima to be the new Conference Lay Leader.

### **Medical Activities**

**(Daily Proceedings No. 50)**

1. The following are officers of the Medical Activities Committee: Dr. E. Mutasa, chairman; Dr. J. Close, vice chairman, R. E. Watson, secretary.

2. A minimum and maximum staffing plan was established for the medical work of the Conference as follows:

Mutambara: 1 doctor, 2 SRN's.

Old Umtali: 1 doctor, 1 SRN.

Nyadiri: 2 doctors and 8 SRN's minimum.

3 doctors and 10 SRN's maximum.

The 3 doctor maximum need should not be at the expense of the other places not having a doctor.

3. Sub-committee report on refresher courses: We agreed on the principle of medical refresher courses to be taken by staff doctors. Medical work is constantly changing, and improved or new techniques are being discovered. It is therefore felt that staff doctors should be given some opportunities to take further training.

I. Short refresher courses (1 to 2 weeks).

Those offered locally should be utilized as often as is possible. These can be arranged by the various hospital staffs.

II. Longer training periods of one or more years. (Residency). (a) This training should be considered after five years or more of satisfactory service, or at any time when it is felt necessary for the work. (b) All requests should be approved by the MAC and BOFAC. (c) This training should be taken locally when possible. (d) There should be no expense to the mission as the doctor will earn a salary. (e) This period of study should be done as staffing permits. (f) This would require only a request for a leave of absence, all other responsibility being that of the doctors. (g) If the training is not offered locally, a request for travel funds should go to BOFAC. (h) If the training is offered locally but the doctor wishes to go elsewhere, the travel expense would be the doctor's. (i) Training not given a salary would require a request to BOFAC for financing.

4. A request for a surgical residency by Dr. Ngonyama was approved by MAC.

5. We recommend that MAC, through its delegates to the Southern Rhodesia Christian Council, approach that organization with the idea that specialists within the Council establish, where possible, special training schools for such areas of medical work as X-Ray, Laboratory Technician, Physiotherapy, etc., to give crash training to candidates for current hospital needs.

6. We have carried out, as Conference requested, a conference-wide survey to ascertain needs for clinics. We judged the validity of the need for a clinic by the following criteria: 1) population; 2) proximity to exist-

ing clinics; 3) available transportation; 4) good roads; 5) geography of the country. We recommend the following definitions:

I. *"OUT PATIENT CLINIC"*. The minimum requirements would be: A three-room building to provide an examination room, clinic room, and a room for patient care (medical and/or maternity), preferably to be constructed of burned bricks or concrete blocks, cement, steel door and window frames and a metal roof. This building is to be built and maintained by the local people of the area served by the clinic. The clinic is also to be furnished with basic furniture (beds, both adult and infants; benches, cabinets, examination tables, chairs) by the local building committee. A residence should be provided for a full-time resident medical/maternity assistant or medical orderly. Out-patient huts should also be provided by the local people for use by patients requiring several days outpatient treatment and who live some distance away.

At the same time the mission will attempt to supply the following services: (1) Medical supervision by a registered nurse and/or doctor. (2) Provide basic medical equipment needed by the clinic, i.e. scales, centrifuge, blood pressure apparatus, microscope, medical ware, medical cups, etc. (3) Provide drug and medical supplies at a cost equivalent to that of the various mission hospitals. (4) Provide a district ambulance for visitation to the clinic at prescribed intervals. (5) Help in staffing the clinic.

II. *"MEDICAL VISITATION SITES"*. Those sites where a doctor or nurse regularly attend to the medical needs of patients but which do not otherwise meet the minimum requirements of a clinic.

We feel that it is extremely important that the church promote the ideas and ideals of area self-help.

*MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT*: There are 9 rural clinics in operation or soon to be in operation in this district, all of which meet the minimum requirements or are now working toward them. Area C is now envisaged as the future location of a tenth clinic. Chindenga, the location of an upper primary school, has recently completed a beautiful new clinic building without outside

help, and have provided all the basic furniture in addition to a place for the nurse to live. It is expected to open very soon now. Nyamuzuwe has recently opened a clinic for the benefit of the secondary school.

*MREWA DISTRICT:* Mrewa station has established a clinic with a nursing orderly in residence for the benefit of the large student community. This clinic is self-sustaining. This committee recommends that in the event of future medical extension work undertaken in the Mrewa District, a registered nurse, resident at Mrewa station, be responsible for the supervision of that work.

*MUTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT:* There are four clinic-visitation sites now in operation in this district. Arnoldine has a well-developed clinic with permanent building and a nurse in residence. A second clinic is either complete or nearing completion in Inyanga. Two additional locations are visited regularly by the medical staff at O.U. Six or more additional sites are being considered by the district church leaders as areas for future expansion. This committee strongly urges the development of proper clinics as defined in this report, but leaves the decision as to final disposition in the hands of the OU medical staff.

*UMTALI SOUTH DISTRICT:* At present there are 5 medical visitation sites in the Umtali South District and in the survey there are four additional first choice sites for new medical extension work. In addition, 8 additional second-choice sites for future expansion are listed. Since such extension work depends upon the medical staff resident at Mutambara Centre, this committee urges the establishment of centrally-located clinics and/or medical visitation sites where this is not possible—all at the final discretion of the Mutambara medical staff.

7. We recommend that O.U. personnel supervise the Arnoldine clinic until further action is taken. Although a new clinic building has been completed, the people of the area realize that a registered nurse may not be in attendance in the future.

8. We recommend that a Board of Directors of the Medical Activities Committee be established to set up



future medical policies. A study commission of Drs. Rudy and Close and Mr. Titus Kuture was established to prepare proposals for the composition and function of this board. The report which was accepted is as follows:

a) A Medical Board for the Rhodesia Annual Conference should be established to take the place of the present MAC. Its composition to be as follows:

Medical superintendent of each hospital. (Or nurse in charge).

Matron or nurse in charge of each hospital.

Hospital administrator at Nyadiri.

All District Superintendents.

Five members at large chosen by the Annual Conference, 2 of which are of the medical profession, 3 of which are non-medical.

One Dentist.

b) A chairman and secretary for the Board would be elected by the board members.

c) Medical appointments within the conference would be made by the Bishop in consultation with the cabinet and the Medical Board.

d) The Executive Committee of the Medical Board should consist of the Medical Superintendent of each hospital, plus the chairman and secretary. This executive should meet every six months or more often as necessary.

e) Any new construction of medical buildings within the conference must be approved by the Executive committee of the Medical Board.

f) All non-recurring funds which have been raised and designated for medical work are to be used only for medical work, unless the Board agrees to some other specified use. This must be a unanimous decision of the Board.

g) Local Medical Boards for institutions are to be discussed by the Medical Board and recommendations made for the future.

9. We recommend that Dr. Mutasa, through the scholarship committee, recruit people in the United States (Rhodesian students) for training in X-Ray and other ancillary services of the hospital. Further, the Scholarship Committee is requested to investigate all

the possibilities within Africa for further medical training (Universities, Colleges, Hospitals). It was further moved that a nurse, given a scholarship in UK, be given help for travel expenses only.

10. We recommend that as long as doctors are available, we will continue to have one visiting the district clinics. When a shortage occurs, the doctor should then remain at the centres. We further petition the Board of Missions for a full time public health doctor.

11. We recommend that there should be an effort to coordinate the placing of all nursing personnel finishing courses courses of study. These shall be placed as to their needs either in rural clinics or in the centres. Students should understand that with the signing of their original contract with the training school, that they are willing to serve the church for a period of one year following the completion of their course. This requirement is a minimum of service and those students presently in school should understand this requirement.

12. MAC endorses the appointment of Dr. Nelvig to residence and work in Umtali and approves her request for a budget which must be acted upon by BOFAC. Under present circumstances and because of the need for dental technicians, Dr. Deale was asked to train other technicians for work in the centres.

## **Methodist Youth Fellowship**

(Daily Proceedings No. 53)

The 1965 M.Y.F. Annual Conference was held at Nyadiri Centre, January 11-18. Twenty-one circuits were represented by the forty-five persons present. Rev. E. Chimbanga, Rev. S. Muzulu, Mrs. D. Mudzengerere, Rev. E. Jijita, Mrs. F. Brancel and D. Samudzimu taught about the M.Y.F. Mrs. R. Ngonyama, opened the conference speaking on "Youth in Scotland."

From the reports given it was observed that there was much progress in most of our centres. Mrewa and Nyadiri MYFs divided into Junior and Senior groups and increased in membership. Hilltop (Umtali) raised the most money.

Although many MYFs reported progress at the be-

ginning of 1964, attendance and interest decreased later due to political disturbances.

*The main problems of MYF were as follows:*

(a) How can we encourage the youth to participate in the church?

(b) How can we interest senior as well as junior youth?

(c) Shall we carry out both M.Y.F. and Sunday School on Sundays in addition to choir and Sunday service?

(d) How can we raise enough money for delegates to our Annual MYF Conference, the travel of our officers, and the programme of our local MYFs?

(e) How can we help our members and others in detention?

(f) How can our MYFs remain strong during political disturbances?

(g) How can we encourage our elders to help us build a strong MYF in every church?

(h) How can we help boys and girls who fail? Shall we help them through the Rukwadzano and Wabvuwi?

(i) What new schools and activities can we have for those who have left standard six?

### *RESOLUTIONS*

1. We remind and urge pastors and local MYF leaders to observe MYF Sunday. One-third of the offering that Sunday shall go to the Conference M.Y.F., and two-thirds shall be used by the local MYF.

2. This year MYF weekly programmes in Shona and English were distributed to every local MYF before dues were paid. We expect each group receiving them to contribute their annual dues of 5/- (Lower Primary) or 10/- (Upper Primary).

3. We wish to have the Conference's approval on our request to have an equipped full-time worker with youth. We wish this person to be one who understands and is interested in youth work. He will attend to the youth (MYF) and give advice and more practical help—(This is in addition to the people who usually help us).

*His Duties Might Be:*

(a) To train leaders

- (b) To have a constant follow-up.
- (c) To be responsible for district and inter-district and conference MYF meetings.
- (d) To organize meetings of Christian youth groups, both local and outside groups.
- (e) To coordinate the MYF programme of our Conference, working with the Conference MYF officers.

(Referred to the Cabinet)

4. We are concerned that many students and teachers from other denominations in our Methodist schools have not respect for our Methodist discipline. Many of them, however, would like to become MYF members. We believe that through the MYF we can help them.

First, we recommend that members of other denominations in Methodist schools be urged to become *affiliate* members of the Methodist Church while in school (Par. 116 1964 Methodist Discipline). Before being received, the privileges and the duties of Methodist membership including the following of our church discipline shall be carefully explained. Each student shall promise to accept this before being received.

Second, we recommend that affiliate church members may be received as MYF members, and may be elected at MYF Commission chairmen, but not MYF officers.

5. We recommend that at least one Conference MYF officer must come from each of the districts.

6. We recommend to strengthen our Rhodesia MYF that representatives be sent to MYFs in neighbouring countries (Mozambique, South Africa, Angola and Congo) and to the U.S.A. We invite them also to visit us for sharing and teaching and Christian fellowship.

7. We of the MYF offer our service to the Church through work-camps. We invite the church leaders to suggest suitable projects.

*Who Might Participate?*

(a) School leavers: In this work-camp, a service project might be combined with tutoring for R.J.C.

(b) Students on holiday. We might invite students from other denominations or other countries to join with us.

## **Ministry**

**(Daily Proceedings No. 32)**

1. We recommend that all ministerial retirements hereafter take effect at the session of the Annual Conference of the year concerned for each particular minister's retirement, to eliminate uncertainty as to exactly when, during the retirement year scheduled such retirement shall actually take place. All future notices concerning impending retirement dates, shall be hereafter given in accordance with this action.

2. "We direct that the Rev. John Nemaungwe shall present in writing to the Board of the Ministry, through its secretary/registrar, before the 1966 session of the Annual Conference convenes, a full and detailed report of his studies and progress in his private studies for which purpose he was and is now left without appointment. We state clearly that if Rev. Nemaungwe has not made satisfactory progress in the GCE course by the 1966 session of Conference, he will be removed from study leave and required to take up an appointment as a travelling minister within the Conference.

"We authorize the Conf. Treasurer to pay from Theological School funds to Rev. J. Nemaungwe, as follows:

(1) School assistance funds for his Children for 1964 and 1965 in accordance with the rates used in those years, as determined by the District Superintendent of Mrewa District and the District Treasurer of Mrewa District.

(2) The sum of £25-0-0 to further help Rev. Nemaungwe in the expenses of his G.C.E. course of study."

3. Concerning our Conference Member, the Rev. Simon Kowo, who has been out of contact with our Conference for an extended time, and is not filling his appointment, the Board of the Ministry is deeply concerned about this 'lost' brother. The Secretary of the Board was directed to write to the Rev. Kowo, asking him whether or not he intends to immediately return to his ministerial appointment and service within the bounds of the Conference. If he does not indicate his

intent to return immediately to his appointment of service within the Conference, he shall be directed to request the ministerial status of 'Voluntary Location'. He should be informed by the secretary, that in the event that he does not return immediately, and does not request voluntary location, then at the 1966 session of the Conference, the Board of the Ministry will consider it necessary to recommend his removal by Involuntary Location in accordance with paragraph 252 of our Discipline, for failure to fulfill his Ministerial duties of office in his assigned appointment.

4. We request and authorize the Conference Treasurer to release the sum of £200 from Theological Scholarship Funds, to cover the costs of the books and literature to be distributed to the pastors for the conference year 1965-66. This item was purposely omitted from the Budget Plan of the Board of Finance with the plan that it should be taken from Theological Scholarship Funds which are administered by the Board on the Ministry. Rev. H. Griffin, assisted by Rev. M. Chiza, was appointed to be responsible for the selection, purchase, and distribution of these books to our pastors for the coming conference year. Rev. Griffin will be held responsible for the administration of these funds.

5. We urge the Conference and Cabinet at this Conference session to establish a full-time ministerial appointment for the director of the Local Preachers' Course of Study. This person would be responsible for developing the course of study, under the supervision and approval of the Board of Ministry, selecting texts, curriculum, etc., and for directing and conducting the course of study for all of the Local Preachers of our Conference. The Board of the Ministry feels that this is one of the most important tasks of training that we can undertake at this time to properly undergird the laity who are carrying such a major part of our pulpit ministry in our Church. Such a program has been previously indicated by the Board of the Ministry and the Cabinet, but without a full-time appointment of a minister to it, it has not been able to be put into operation. This appointment is considered by this Board to be of urgency.

## **Ngariende**

(Daily Proceedings No. 10)

### **A. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Having actively served for only three months as your Executive Secretary for Ngariende, (the combined Boards of Evangelism and Missions), this report is given with personal humility, but with an unending sense of gratitude to all of my co-workers in the Conference for their keen interest and effort on the work of Evangelism. I record here particular appreciation and commendation to the Rev. Marshall W. Murphree, my predecessor as Executive Secretary for Ngariende, for the fine programme which he established and implemented across the Conference—for his vision and effort in surveying our Conference areas for evangelism, and the establishment of both geographical and spiritual outreach. I personally am also grateful to him for the considerate way in which he prepared matters and materials of the office for transfer to me. We all regret his untimely withdrawal by necessity from this office, and are grateful to God for his ministry, hopeful for his return to work again within the bounds of the Conference programme of work as soon as it may be possible.

Our Evangelism programme is deeply grateful to the District Superintendents and to our Administrative Assistant, Rev. Kawadza, for their splendid cooperation and interest in promoting the cause of evangelism within the bounds of their areas. By reorganization and the establishment of smaller ministerial circuits, many of our ministers can now give more time to personal evangelism, and to promotion of the work of evangelism in their total ministry. Also, several of our ministers have exchanged pulpits for special series of evangelistic meetings, assisting each other and this idea is commended to others as very worthy of merit.

Working very close in cooperative effort, Rev. Murphree and I conducted a most successful and challenging Lay Institute on Evangelism, at Old Umtali Biblical Institute in June, 1964. The main resource person in Evangelism was the Rev. Ben Johnson of the U.S.A. We were also privileged at the same time to have several

sessions led by our World Consultant on Christian Education, Dr. Gerald Harvey. More than 40 laymen from all areas of our Conference participated in this Institute, and took many new ideas back to their circuits, which I have seen being put to practice 'here and there' in my recent travels.

One of the high points of our year in Evangelism was the coming of Dr. E. Stanley Jones to the University in Salisbury for the Ashram in February. Dr. Jones is one of the great Christian evangelists of the world in this century, and we were particularly fortunate to have him in our area, to conduct the Ashram this year. This visit and the Ashram he conducted were first envisaged by Rev. Eisenberg, then the invitation and follow-through in planning was promoted by Rev. Murphree and a special committee in Salisbury. The Ashram was attended by more than 80 people, but mainly by Methodist Conference laymen and ministers. All of us who were privileged to attend caught new visions of Christ's work for us and new challenges to more fruitful lives in Christ.

Christian Emphasis Week meetings have been conducted at some of our Methodist Centres already this year, and others are making plans to do so. Our Central school pupils still remain one of our great evangelistic opportunities, and we are glad to note even more of a growing concern for religious affairs among them. We are grateful for the work of the M.Y.F. at our Central Stations particularly, but also throughout the Conference, in helping to keep interest in the church before our young people.

One of the services which the Ngariende Secretary has been able to provide for ministers and evangelists has been in making available to them free of cost evangelistic literature and tracts. Several hundred of these have been distributed, and these can be obtained free of cost by requesting them from the Ex. Secretary for Ngariende, provided that they are to be used individually in personal visitation evangelism.

I am particularly happy to announce that our new booklet for new Christians, has finally arrived. About 500 copies are here now, and a total of 2,000 have been shipped from overseas. The title of the booklet is



*"Kusimbiswa Nge Iswi Ra Mwari,"* ("Established by the Word of God"). It was translated by Rev. Murphree and Mr. Kingston Kajese, and has been printed, assembled, and wrapped and posted to us free of charge by the members of the M.Y.F. of Marion, Wisconsin, U.S.A., working together with a good Methodist printer of their community, Mr. Francis Byers. We express our heartfelt thanks to them all for this effort to help us in the cause of evangelism. This book is to be used by ministers and leaders in the training of newly won converts, for strength in Christ. The booklets are available free from my office in limited quantities. They should be used again and again by different persons under the church leader. A very few copies are also available in English.

With each new generation, and with a constantly increasing national population, our evangelistic effort must also increase, if the Church is to hold steady in size and not slip backward numerically. **BUT WE MUST ALSO GROW!** Souls are waiting to be won by and for Christ. We set a goal of a 10% increase in church membership 16 months ago at our Consultation here at Old Umtali, but this has not yet been achieved in most places. Let us be up and doing for Christ and His Church. There must also be evangelistic witnessing through all agencies of the church. Daily services of preaching at our rural medical clinics in the villages, with Christian leaders preaching for a decision for Christ by individual troubled souls, is bringing in Christ's lost sheep. Can other agencies of the Church not also be as fruitful? **OUR FIRST TASK MUST BE EVANGELISM.** All of the service agencies of the church are here only because the evangelistic witness of the Church has enabled them to come. and maintains them here.

In many of our circuits there are 'blind spots'—unwon people whom we "pass by on the other side." Let each of us open our eyes wide open and see **ALL** opportunities to make our witness where we are. To go to new areas brings the excitement of adventure, but all too often, people are 'soul-sick' very close to us. The Scripture enjoins us to "first take the stick out of your own eye (your own community) and *then* go

to your brother (his community) to help him." Both are necessary, and can be done simultaneously, provided we do not overlook opportunities near us.

In the urban township areas near the towns, cities and industrial sites, the opportunity for evangelistic witness, and the need for it, is so great as to be almost unmeasurable. Each Christian visitor to these townships must make his Christian witness known for Christ, in the home or section which he or she visits. Pray daily for our workers in these urban areas, that their work may be fruitful, in spite of the many evil influences surrounding these people.

**CHURCH EXTENSION:** We are grateful for the good spiritual leadership being shown by our workers who are partially supported by the Church Extension Funds. At present these include W. Marara in Inyanga North, N. Muskwe in Mukota Reserve, P. Kajese in Area "C" of Mtoko, E. Chikodzi in Marange South, and Rev. F. Kadenge serving in Highfields Township, Salisbury. We thank God for the spiritual awakening that is coming to the Inyanga North circuit under the new pastor there, and for the work of all who have assisted in the development of our Inyangombe Centre of witness.

In the Area "C" of Mtoko District, rapid development by the Government agencies, accompanied by a transfer into the area of many families, with many more scheduled to come, has necessitated a complete survey as to the needs and opportunities which our church must be prepared to meet there. This survey has been carefully and thoroughly carried out by our missionary, Mr. William Finster, in full cooperation with the District Superintendents, formerly Rev. Blomquist and now Rev. Madzinga. This survey report has been thoroughly discussed and considered by the Church Extension Survey Commission.

We are thankful to the Board of Finance and Coordination (BOFAC) for their action in establishing a Church Extension Survey Commission. The work of this Commission is to try to determine the areas into which our Evangelistic Outreach should move in the future, and to determine priorities within the available resources of personnel and finance, so that there may

be more overall planning, and outreach both in depth and in geographical areas may be better coordinated with resources both present and contemplated. The program of development for Area "C", referred to immediately above, has been fully considered by that Commission and is forwarded to the Conference by it. We commend it to you for your consideration, and ask that Mr. Finster be permitted to present this report, following the consideration of the following recommendations from the Board of Ngariende.

### B. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that Rev. Luke Chieza continue his work as Conference Evangelist under the direction of the executive secretary for Ngariende, Rev. Griffin. We further recommend that we continue holding evangelistic campaigns in our circuits and our central stations. We urge all our schools to arrange for a religious emphasis week during the school year. We approve of a leave of absence from work as a Conference Evangelist, for Mr. D. Chipaumire for the calendar year of 1965, so that he may build his home.

2. We recommend the distribution of Bishop Dodge's booklet, *"The Church And Evangelism"* throughout the Conference through our regular literature distribution sales service. Also our evangelists and ministers should all promote the study of this booklet in their local churches as they conduct evangelistic meetings.

3. We express gratitude for the visit of Rev. Ben Johnson, and for those who made it possible. His leadership and ideas were very valuable to our programme of evangelism in our conference. We ask the Board of Communications to translate some parts of his booklets into Shona, for printing, once such permission has been obtained from the Upper Room publishers overseas. This is referred to the Board of Communications by way of the Executive Secretary for Ngariende, who is seeking for permission to use the materials.

4. Our former Home Missions Project at Chikwizo now functions like any other church station or circuit in the Conference, under the full jurisdiction of the Supt. of the district in which it is located. However the Board of Ngariende has accepted responsibility, *for an*

*interim period*, for assisting with the payment of the salary of the pastor there at Chikwizo, in the amount of £1-10-0 monthly from Ngariende funds received locally. Concerning the outstanding financial obligation of unpaid salary (back-pay) to the former minister, Rev. Joseph Makuto, Ngariende must carry out further investigations. The amount may possibly total as much as £260 and funds are not available in the Ngariende treasury to meet such an obligation, nor will they be ever, at the present rate of local giving to Ngariende. We therefore request BOFAC that if there are still funds in the Ministers' Back Pay accounts, that Rev. Makuto be paid from that account. We further recommend that a committee composed of the Supt. of Mtoko-Nyadiri District, together with Rev. Kawadza and Rev. Choto (former treasurer of Ngariende Home Missions society) should meet and establish the exact financial claim for this back pay before any money is paid to this purpose.

5. We recommend that the support of the pastor-evangelist now serving the new work in Area "C" of Mtoko (presently Rev. P. Kajese) be placed on the Church Extension Fund, on a decreasing annual basis in accordance with the rules for that fund.

6. We request the Board of Finance of the Conference (BOFAC) to add to the Conference Assessments an assessment for Ngariende in the amount of £150-0-0 annually, for the support of our mission projects, as Church Extension Funds from overseas are inadequate to cover all our needs, and we believe definitely that our own Rhodesia Church should share in this program of outreach in missions. This will help to provide evangelist support from local sources for missions and evangelism and will also give some security to workers in our outreach program.

7. The Church at Mupingiza, under the Chikwizo Circuit, was destroyed by storm. The congregation at Mupingiza has asked for help in the amount of £100 in order to erect a new church building. We forward this request to the BOFAC with our endorsement and ask that it be included on the list of priorities for Church Building Assistance under the Mtoko-Nyadiri District Priority List.

8. Certain excess items of equipment remain at Chikwizo, the property of the Board of Ngariende as successor to Ngariende Society. This equipment includes a plough, cultivator, and hand grinding machine. We direct that these items be sold for cash and the income turned over to the Treasurer—Executive Secretary for Ngariende, Rev. Griffin. A committee was appointed to see about these items, and any other material given to Chikwizo which is not otherwise being used or needed. This committee was composed of the district superintendent of Mtoko, the pastor at Chikwizo, Rev. J. Makuto, and one member selected by the Rukwadzano.

9. We approve the date of *Sunday, 18th July* as Ngariende Sunday through the entire Conference area, for promotion of the cause of evangelism and missions. We request that this date be placed in the Conference calendar, without any conflicts of interest so that this cause may have the full attention of our membership on that Sunday.

10. We again ask the district supt. of the Mtoko-Nyadiri District to make an effort to send personnel and to begin work in the Mt. Darwin and Chesa areas, as recommended to him by the Annual Conference of 1964. (1964 Journal, page 100, items 9 and 11). We feel that these areas are particularly needful of the Gospel message, and that due to proximity they should be considered as an outreach from the Mtoko-Nyadiri District. We ask the D.S. of Mtoko-Nyadiri District to present these matters to the Conference Committee on Ecumenical Relations for full consideration there.

11. We request the Committee on Nominations to restructure the make-up of the Board of Ngariende, at this session of Conference, in accordance with the rule on page 102 in the Conference Journal of 1964.

12. We recommend that the Kajola Bible Correspondence Course formerly distributed by the Old Umtali Biblical Institute be placed under the care of the Conf. Committee on Christian Education, and managed by the Conference Director of Christian Education.

13. The Board of NGARIENDE, with all members present and voting, unanimously voted to go on record as being opposed to a suggested merger of the Board of

Ngariende with the Conference Committee on Christian Education. We take this action because we believe that while some of the programs of these two bodies can and should be effectively *coordinated*, yet we firmly believe that they *cannot* most effectively be *combined*. Furthermore the direction of each program is a full-time job, and any combination of the two programs could only be administered properly by a director who directed through sub-assistants. Such organization of personnel only increases the problems of administration, and increases also the lack of effectiveness of the individual programs. There are, also, several aspects of each program which do *not* lend themselves to combination. We state this position clearly, for the guidance of the Conference Committee on Re-structure and Reorganization of the Conference.

(Referred to the Committee on Organization).

14. *Bechuanaland*. In response to further requests for participation of our Church in the program of Christian service in Bechuanaland, the Conference voted that if Mr. M. Murphree succeeds in raising the funds necessary to finance our sending of an evangelist-teacher or a nursing orderly to Bechuanaland for one year beginning in January 1966, we as a Conference guarantee his continued work there for the rest of this quadrennium through May 1968.

#### 15. CHURCH EXTENSION PROGRAM FOR THE MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT.

The following report has been approved by the Conference Committee on Church Extension Planning. It is recommended by the Planning Committee because it has been carefully prepared and is now ready for implementation. A report covering the balance of the Conference districts will be submitted for Conference consideration in 1966.

(Note: The report as shown here has been abbreviated to cover the salient points which should be a matter of record. The full report may be obtained from the secretary of the Conference Church Extension Planning Committee).

#### THE PROBLEM

For some time the Mtoko-Nyadiri District has been

concerned that the large area east and north of Mtoko has received comparatively little assistance or spiritual guidance from the Rhodesia Annual Conference.

The population of Area C (Ngarwe), Area D (Mudzi), and Mkota Tribal Trust Land areas is now approximately 13,000 people. In the near future it is anticipated that this number will increase to over 31,000. At this time we have three schools, three churches, one clinic (plus one soon to be completed), and several preaching places.

## THE PROPOSAL TO MEET THE PROBLEM

Although normal church development work should continue throughout the district, Ngarwe, Mudzi, and Mkota areas require three things:

1. An immediate program to keep pace with this area which is being opened for development and is expanding rapidly.

2. A new approach to church extension work based on a coordinated, flexible team effort which can develop a program consistent with the needs of the people as determined by close association within the residential areas. Furthermore, the approach must be able to cover a large area as the developing requirements may demand.

3. The very careful selection of qualified personnel who will have a particular interest in this type of work as well as an interest in the area and the problems of the people. They should be able to work closely with the district superintendent and the other members of the administrative team, namely, the school managers, pastors, medical personnel, principals, and others. Finally, of utmost importance, these personnel must be capable of formulating and executing a work schedule which will produce maximum results with a minimum of supervision. It is understood that the personnel in this work will be primarily under the jurisdiction of the district superintendent.

## PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

It is proposed that as soon as practicable, two missionary families be assigned to district extension work in the Mtoko District to work directly under the district

superintendent. In all probability, the administrative team would also appoint, upon getting authorization, a qualified African to work in the program, and preferably, it should be a man and wife. Two missionary families are recommended because (1) the large area involved (roughly a million acres), 2) the desirability of two working together to develop a coordinated field program and give continuity to the work, 3) salaries would not be an additional expense, 4) there would be greater ease in raising funds.

The extension program personnel would reside at the administrative centre at Mtoko. However, considerable time would be spent in the various units, depending upon the requirements at any particular time.

It is not only very important to carefully select the personnel for this work, but it is equally important that those who may be selected and prove adequate should, if at all possible, be given every opportunity to remain in the work over a long period of time and also take additional training so that continuity of purpose may be achieved.

## EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS

In the initial phase, the following equipment and improvements would be essential:

1. Living accommodations at Mtoko for two missionary families. The first dwelling to be ready by January 1966, and the second one as soon after as practicable. Existing facilities may be available by that time.

2. Two four-wheel vehicles.

3. Camp gear and field equipment, possibly a caravan.

4. For the medical unit, a 25-30 bed hospital to be located in the field to serve Ngarwe (Area C), Mkota, and Mudzi Areas, with the possibility of drawing some patients from Chikwizo and P.E.A. The hospital would be the headquarters for a district-nurse who would serve the out-clinics in the areas listed above. Living accommodations would also be required for the medical personnel to be located at the hospital site.

The initial step would be to receive approval from the Government for a hospital site, and to proceed



immediately as soon as a qualified doctor is available to erect a small unit for immediate use. The complete hospital would be forthcoming as soon as funds could be made available. During this period, a plan for the out-clinic sites would be crystalized and implemented as soon as possible.

5. One hospital four-wheel drive vehicle and one similar vehicle for the district nurse would also be required.

### *Training Facilities*

6. Renovate existing facilities at the Mtoko Centre to accommodate adult education classes, and prepare facilities for temporary housing of those adults attending the training sessions. In all probability, existing buildings could be adequate for the initial phase of the work.

7. Construct a community hall at the central field location to be used as a multi-purpose building. The first unit of this type very possibly should be located at the hospital site, which, under existing conditions, can be located on a bus route.

In line with the recommendation that the proposed extension program should be very flexible and allowed to develop in a way which will provide the greatest number of benefits for the largest number of people as determined by close association, the initial improvements and equipment allocations for the field *should be kept at a minimum*.

### A RECOMMENDED TIME-TABLE FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE PROPOSED EXTENSION WORK

Although the time schedule must of necessity be flexible, it is recommended that the following schedule for time and personnel be approved:

1. The first phase (Phase I) would be to provide housing at the Mtoko Administrative Centre for one family. These accommodations to be ready for occupancy by January 1966. (Initially this could be a rental unit).

2. The second phase (Phase II) would concern the medical unit. During the remainder of 1965, the medical unit should continue to work in the area with limit-

ed facilities until such time that more adequate improvements can be provided. Encouragement should be given the local people to build additional clinics on approved sites.

To meet the problems of staffing, we specifically recommend:

1. During the balance of the calendar year 1965, following Annual Conference, the above outlined work be undertaken by personnel with other Conference responsibilities. We recommend that Mr. and Mrs. William Finster, who have shown considerable interest in this program, be assigned to carry out as much of the work as possible while discharging their other responsibilities.

2. That the Finsters be granted a full-time appointment in this work to begin in January 1966 for the months which remain before they are scheduled to go on furlough.

In anticipation of the Finsters returning from furlough to this work, we wish to state that we feel it is imperative that there be as much continuity as possible in the personnel related to this program.

## **Pensions and Conference Claimants**

(Daily Proceedings No. 40)

The Board of Pensions of the Rhodesia Annual Conference of the Methodist Church authorize and request Rev. K. Eriksson to fully investigate and seek ways in which our ministerial pension scheme may be improved to provide a greater annuity to its receiving members in the future.

Mrs. M. Mandisodza, the wife of the late Rev. D. Mandisodza, has no rightful claim of pension. In view of the fact that there are minor children involved, the Board of Pensions recommends that she be given one-half of the pension rate paid out to Rev. Mandisodza. This allowance will be paid for ten years starting from date of the death of Rev. D. Mandisodza December 29, 1962.

We recommend to the Conference that the retired ministers be given their allowances quarterly.

## **Resolutions**

(Daily Proceedings No. 73)

We are grateful for the coming of Bishop Zunguze of Mozambique Area to lead us in our 27th session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference. He was so tactful in the handling of our affairs. We look forward to a time when Bishop Zunguze shall come to us again accompanied by his wife. We are also grateful to the Salvation Army in Rhodesia for allowing Captain Damon L. Rader to come to this session to bring inspirational daily devotions. We are also thankful for the morning devotions led by Bishop Zunguze of Mozambique.

We regret that our Bishop Dodge and his wife have not been able to be with us at our 27th session. We sincerely know that they are not happy to be away from us. We pray that one day they will be with us again in Rhodesia.

We also give our sincere thanks to our Administrative Assistant, Rev. Jonah Kawadza for opening the first devotion of our Conference, and also in his answers to questions that might have confronted the Conference.

We thank the Hilltop Drama Club for entertaining us at the reception honouring Bishop Zunguze. Also we do not forget the music of The Christian Conquest Quartet as well as the music given by the Hilltop group. All of this music inspired our hearts spiritually and added much to our worship.

We express our appreciation for the fellowship we have had with Rev. A. M. Ndhlela, General Superintendent of the Methodist Synod, and with the Revs. R. Rabey, S. Chihota, and R. Rushworth also of the Synod. We have enjoyed having Rev. W. J. Hinson, who will take an appointment at the Epworth Theological College, and Rev. Carlton Rogers from Illinois with us. It has also been a joy to have Mr. Bento Navess, secretary of the Mozambique Conference.

We regret that many of our retired ministers have not been able to meet with us during this Conference session.

We would like to thank our secretaries for their hard work throughout the Conference session.

We also express our appreciation for the work done by our Conference Lay Leader, Mr. I. C. Musamba during his term of office. We welcome the new Conference Lay Leader, Mr. W. Marima, with the hope that he will do like his predecessor.

Lastly, we thank the Ehnes Memorial Church members for their good arrangements as hosts of the Conference. We appreciate very much their hospitality and hard work, especially in the kitchen.

We rejoice at the return of our many friends, missionaries, ministers and laymen after their studies overseas. We also wish those going on furlough, a good holiday and a happy return.

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A prayer from Mrs. R. E. Dodge.

*Almighty God, we praise thy name and thank thee for thy great goodness to us. Give us grace to be not only hearers but doers of thy word, not only to admire but to obey thy doctrine, not only to profess but to practise thy religion, not only to love but to live thy gospel. For Jesus' sake.—Amen.*

## **Rukwadzano rwe Vadzimai**

(Daily Proceedings No. 48)

### **A. SOUTHERN SECTION**

There is a great thing which is happening in our Rukwadzano, which is the aim of becoming one church in spirit by the meeting together of Christians of all churches. The Rukwadzano is holding its regular meetings and working in different ways. The Umtali group helped by giving £69-14-0 and mealie meal and by visiting the sick in the hospital. The RRW at Nyanyadzi helped the church and where there was need by the sum of £15-19-0.

The annual meeting was held at Nyatande 1964. There were many people helped as the Lord was with them there. At that same meeting the crowd was filled with joy when the inspiring message of the reelection of Bishop Dodge at Mulingwishi was told.

The RRW Executive met at the Umtali Hilltop Church, April 28-May 1st, 1965. This was well attended. The following sums to be paid out were approved:

£300-0-0 to assist the people of Chikwizo in building the minister's house there.

62-0-0 to re-order pins for Rukwadzano.

32-0-0 for travel expenses of officers and secretarial expenses.

4-0-0 for travel of retired minister's wives to Dumba.

## **B. NORTHERN SECTION**

We thank God in His great work that he leads us in all. The RRW is serving in homes and visiting the weak spiritually, has revivals where it invites members of other churches, and takes care of the church. However the RRW here is a bit pulled back by political fears that have kept some from wearing their uniforms at times. We thank our church members and Bishop and Mai Dodge who have prayed that we might be free from fear.

We are sorry that our advisor, Mrs. M. W. Murphree had to leave the work because of the illness of her child. We thank her for the work she did among us. The Annual Meeting did not have many people attending because of fear of political intimidation. Though we were fewer in number we were many in spirit. Many were brought to the Lord. District Superintendent Chikosi encouraged us to be brave, and we were helped by the two missionary families who were there. Chief Mangwende honoured the meeting by speaking about his journey to England. He told us to continue seeking advice from God. We thank the literature man who was present selling books. During the year 18 members of R.R.W. died, and 558 persons present at the meeting took the Lord's Supper. Let us grow in the words of our motto, "To Serve Christ and Others."

## **Shona Language Study**

(Daily Proceedings No. 66)

Our Shona Language Committee wishes to express sincere appreciation to Mr. Matthew Mataranyika, the director of our Nyakatsapa Language School, for the effective way that he has directed the school during the 18 months that he has been there. He has been creative, faithful and efficient in promoting the whole program

of the school and in keeping up the property.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

We are very fortunate to have a language school in our conference so well established and equipped as ours at Nyakatsapa and we feel that all missionaries of our conference must make the best possible use of it.

We wish to encourage all our missionaries to strive constantly to improve in their use of Shona as we feel that it is very necessary for the missionary to know the language of the people because it greatly increases his effectiveness. If he knows the language he is often more readily accepted, his fellowship with the people is greatly enriched and he is able to enter more fully into all the worship services.

We strongly object to appointments being made that interrupt a missionary's language study and recommend that the Cabinet make its appointments in the future with the idea of giving language study first priority.

We recommend that a minimum of six months at language school be required of each new missionary upon arrival to the field and that three months at language school be required of each missionary immediately upon his return from each furlough.

We also recommend that a language workshop be planned for each year so that each missionary on the field may attend a workshop at least once during each term. We propose that the first such workshop be planned for the first ten days of the December holidays 9th to 17th. The program would include the study of the African culture and customs as well as the study of the Shona language.

We would encourage all members of Conference to use the language during Conference sessions in which they can best express themselves, whether English or Shona.

The committee has agreed to write a letter to all missionaries giving encouragement and guidance to personal language study. We shall quote the wage scale for informants hired outside of the language school and shall explain that home study must be under the guidance of the director and that all informants

chosen must be approved by him. We shall ask for any suggestions that will promote more effective language study.

We recommend the following language study advisors who will each choose their Shona-speaking co-advisor:

Sister Margret for Mutambara

Mrs. Schevenius for Mrewa

Mrs. Landin for Nyamuzuwe

Mrs. Griffin for Old Umtali

Mr. Kalso for Nyadiri

These advisors will have the responsibility of encouraging and guiding all the missionaries at their stations in the study of Shona.

The Language Director reports that students have come to the school from five denominations in addition to the Methodist Synod and Conference, therefore we recommend to Conference that other churches be invited to participate with us in the support and improvement of the Shona Language School. We suggest that the Conference Language Committee and the administrative assistant be authorized to enter into such negotiations. This would mean that the Conference remains in control of the school but that other churches would share with their ideas and also their financial support, as well as enjoy the use of the facilities at Nyakatsapa.

At present missionaries of other denominations pay extra charges because their churches do not contribute to the financial support of the school.

## Student Loan

(Daily Proceedings No. 42)

### 1. Treasurer's Report.

Balance on hand—5th Jan. 1965 .....	£723- 7-2
Repayments of Loans .....	121-15-0
Paid Out—Printing .....	£ 2-10-0
New Loans .....	600- 0-0
Credit Balance .....	231-12-2
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	834 -2-2
	845 -2-2

2. The following students have been approved for Student Loan.

### *Nyadiri*

Harrison Makanganise .....	P.T.H. I
Henry Hweju .....	P.T.H. II
John Masvodza .....	P.T.H. II
Kenneth Makawa .....	P.T.H. I
Isaac Chikurunhe .....	P.T.H. II
Jonathan Mapfeka .....	P.T.H. I
Amos Gombedza .....	P.T.H. II
Trabition Dziva .....	P.T.H. II
Samuel Chikuse .....	P.T.H. II
Aaron Banda .....	P.T.H. II
Macdonald Bvunzai .....	P.T.H. II
Kenneth Kamba .....	P.T.H. II
Basil Mangarire .....	P.T.H. II

### *Usher Training*

Priscilla Dzvairo

### *Waddilove Training*

Gladys Mhlanga

Elijah Nyaungwa

John Kamhunga

### *Mutambara P.T.L.*

Kingston Macherenje

Catherine Makunike

Lydia Chasakara

Betty Gauchi

Joyce Manhanga

Richard Mungazi

Charles Bepete

Jasper Manhiri

Patrick Hwema

Joel Tsapo

Jawatt Chidau

Simon Bere

Wilford Maraire

In our meeting held at Macheke 21st Nov. 1964, it was agreed that each applicant would receive through his/her principal a sum of about £20 for the current year.

3. There are many more applicants for the loan and our pocket should be very fat if all money loaned to some students long back would come in. About £1255-13-1 is still outstanding. We would help many more if teachers, principals and managers help us collect this money.

## **Treasurer's Report**

(Official audit report available for inspection at Salisbury head office)



## **Trustees**

(Daily Proceedings No. 22)

There have been a number of things which have come before the Board of Trustees during the past year and the items of most importance were as follows:

1. St. Andrews Church, Umtali—A lease for the use of this property was negotiated and signed with the Methodist Synod.

2. Farm Leases—Leases of various types are the matters which appear before the Board of Trustees with most frequency. This includes the farming leases at Nyakatsapa and Arnoldine. To keep these leases up to date and to see that the various clauses of the leases are adhered to required constant attention of the Land Agent. Since we feel that this is an important task to be kept up to date, we make a recommendation below that a person be designated to carry on this work after Mr. Kinyon leaves. The matter of leasing economic farming plots at Old Umtali and Nyadiri has been studied and it now seems possible to set up some of these plots as a training scheme for lay minister-farmers. This is being referred to the Board of Ministry.

There has been some difficulty with tenant farmers at Nyakatsapa not paying their leases. This matter was attended to by a delegation of the Board of Trustees and most of the leases have now been paid to the Executives of the respective farms which administer this money.

3. Glenada Farm—It was felt that a dam was needed at Glenada to improve farming possibilities on the farm. The Land Agent was authorized to spend £100 of his budget for this purpose.

4. Retirement Cottages—There is approximately £975 on hand to build the first retirement cottage and it is hoped that enough money can be obtained in the near future to complete this first cottage.

### *Recommendations:*

1. We recommend that the following changes be made in the Constitution: (a) That the composition of the Board of Trustees be increased from 9 to 12 members. (b) That the chairman of the Board of Trustees

be authorized to sign official documents on behalf of this body.

2. We recommend that there be a Land Agent to deal with the many matters regarding Church owned land. We strongly feel that this is a very important position and requires a person with knowledge of land matters and an ability to negotiate disputes.

## **Vabvuwi**

**(Daily Proceedings Nos. 49, 71)**

### **A. NORTHERN SECTION**

The political situation in the North was so bad that very little was done in this field. Some of the members as we are meeting here are at Gonakudzingwa.

The annual meeting was held at Munyukwi from July 9th - 13th, 1964. Only a few people turned up for this meeting as intimidation was prevalent at the time of the meeting.

Though there were a few people and even though helicopters flew over the meeting, the spirit of the Lord was felt moving among the people that dared to come trusting that the Omnipotent, Father God would see them through.

While at the meeting, a gang came and called the meeting to disperse, but we defied these threats.

We were honoured by the coming of Rev. Chiza and a good number of the students from the Theological College.

The District Superintendent of Mrewa was present. Some villagers came especially in the evening. Several women along with men came from Mtoko and Nyadiri, Salisbury and Headlands. We experienced that when people trust in a Higher Authority like our Father God, they need not fear. The meeting was constantly being visited by policemen who did not interfere.

Officers chosen were: Chairman, P. Mutize; vice, N. Muskwe; secretary, P. Kabunze; treasurer, J. Kanoyangwa; advisory member, Rev. J. Kawadza.

### **B. SOUTHERN SECTION**

The Vabvuwi South held their convention at Nhedzi-

wa, Mutambara July 9-11, 1964, at 7: 30 p.m. The opening meeting was led by the Nhedziwa pastor.

Bishop Dodge, Rev. T. Curtis and E. Matzigkeit also attended the first meeting. They were to go to Wengo to the M.Y.F. meeting the next morning. Bishop spoke his last words to Vabvuwi saying, "The Vabvuwi music was excellent and is my favourite."

It was an inspiring meeting, many people came there though it was not a good time to have a meeting at that area.

The Vabvuwi are trying their best to help those in great need, with money, work and prayers.

We thank God for His guidance to groups of Vabvuwi who went for evangelism. Some went to Rusitu and others to Bulawayo. Their reports were so encouraging to us all.

During our annual executive meeting a few items were approved for action. That this year we have a joint convention meeting with M.Y.F. and R.R.W. at Chiringaudzi in September 2-5. This is the first joint meeting so far in the history of our societies. We pray that God may prepare our hearts before that time. So we invite all the members of this Conference to come and join us.

We agreed to give a sum of £10 to the people who are in the restriction areas thus £5 to Gonakudzingwa and £5 to Hwahwa. This small gift is only showing our sympathy for many of us have not gone there to see our fellowmen. We as fishermen of the Methodist Conference, we take it as our duty to pray for them and to help to win them to Christ.

We wish to welcome Bishop Zunguze to our Conference in the name of our Lord.

We have our officers elected who will serve for the four years ahead to 1969. They are as follows:

President, C. S. Zisengwe; vice, P. K. Mudiwa; secretary, A. Magwere; vice, R. Chitakatira; treasurer, N. Gandanzara; advisor, Rev. J. Chitombo. Finance Committee members are: A. Mutsago, P. K. Mudiwa, V. Chidembo, I. Murapa, N. Chiwara, Rev. D. Mudzengere, J. Gonye.

## **Worship and Music**

(Daily Proceedings No. 19)

1. The committee wishes to express its sincere appreciation and thanks to Mr. R. Kauffman and his committee for their long and tireless work on the new edition of NGOMA. We present this new edition to the Annual Conference for their acceptance as the official hymnal of the Methodist Church.

2. We recommend to BOFAC that Messrs. Kauffman, Eisenberg, Kaemmer, and other interested people be allowed to raise money for the music edition of NGOMA now being prepared by J. Kaemmer.

3. We recommend that choirs and choir directors remember always to act in a dignified and worshipful manner as they participate in services of worship.

4. More thought should be given to the collection of offerings in worship services, and those who are asked to take up offerings should be instructed in doing this in a worshipful way. They should be properly dressed with shirt and tie, if they are men. We discourage the use of very small children in taking offerings, though older MYFers and young adults may be used.

5. The following procedure for taking offerings has been used with success in some places and is suggested.

1. Offering stewards come forward.
2. A prayer is offered.
3. The offering is taken.
4. Congregation sings "Tendayi Baba."

6. We recommend that the New Testament reading and the sermon be put together in the order of worship services.

7. We recommend that the communion service prepared by M. Ball be submitted to a committee of J. Chitombo, K. Eriksson, and M. Chiza for consideration.

## **Part VII**

### **CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY**

Unless courses taken in Schools of Theology approved by the Annual Conference are accepted as substitutes in whole or in part for the following courses, they are to be taught over a period of eight years, and in no case shall a resident remain in the course of study for more than 12 years.

#### **I. STUDIES OF THE FIRST YEAR**

##### **A. First Half**

##### **1. THE LIFE OF CHRIST**

- a. *Introducing the New Testament*, Hunter, pp. 1-33.
- b. *The Life of Jesus*, L. Church, pp. 1-96, 251-260.

##### **2. DISCIPLINE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

Sections on "The Ministry," "The Local Church," and "Judicial Administration."

##### **3. TRAINING FOR ACTIVE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

- a. *A People Prepared*, J. Banks, pp. 1-51.
- b. *Manual of Membership in The Methodist Church*, pp. 1-24.

##### **4. HISTORY OF THE EARLY CHURCH: 33-500 A.D.** *A History of the Christian Church*, L. P. Qualben, pp. 1-70.

##### **5. HOMILETICS**

- a. *On the Preparation and Delivery of Sermons*, Broadus and Weatherspoon, pp. 1-154.
- b. *Power in Preaching*, Sangster, pp. 13-58.

##### **6. WESLEY AND HIS MESSAGE**

*John Wesley*, V. H. H. Green, pp. 1-66.

##### **7. REFERENCE DICTIONARY**

*Advanced Learners Dictionary of Current English*, Hornby, Getenby, and Wakefield.

##### **8. WRITTEN SERMON TO PREPARE**

A written sermon on the subject of "Repentance."

##### **9. SUPPLEMENTARY READING (Required)**

- a. *Beginning from Jerusalem*, J. Foster.
- b. *Spotlight on John Wesley*, R. Kissack.

## **B. Second Half**

### **1. THE LIFE OF CHRIST**

- a. *Introducing the New Testament*, Hunter, pp. 34-69.
- b. *The Life of Jesus*, L. Church, pp. 97-260.

### **2. DISCIPLINE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

*Sections on Constitution, Articles of Religion, General Rules, and The Conferences, and services of our Ritual in NGOMA.*

### **3. TRAINING FOR ACTIVE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

- a. *A People Prepared*, J. Banks, pp. 52-96.

### **4. HISTORY OF THE EARLY CHURCH: 33-500 A.D.**

*A History of the Christian Church*, L. P. Qualben, pp. 71-136.

### **5. HOMILETICS AND PREACHER-CRAFT**

- a. *On the Preparation and Delivery of Sermons*, by Broadus and Weatherspoon, pp. 155-377.
- b. *Power in Preaching*, Sangster, pp. 61-111.

### **6. WESLEY AND HIS MESSAGE**

- a. *John Wesley*, V.H.H. Green, pp. 67-160.

### **8. WRITTEN SERMON TO PREPARE**

Prepare a written sermon on the subject, "Justification by Faith."

### **9. SUPPLEMENTARY READING (Required)**

*Christ and His Church*, A. W. Banks.

## **Part VIII**

### **A. MEMOIRS**

#### **Rev. Zacharia Mukombiwa**

Rev. Zacharia Mukombiwa was educated at Old Umtali. He joined the ministry in 1926, and became a Deacon in 1929 and an Elder in 1932. During his ministry he served the Penhalonga, Headlands, Chiduku, Old Umtali, and Mrewa East circuits. His last appointment was at Muchinjike in Mrewa District. He retired in 1949.

Rev. Mukombiwa died February 21st, 1965, and was buried at his home at Muchinjike. We send our sympathy to Mrs. Mukombiwa and their children.

#### **Mr. Charles Munjoma**

Mr. Munjoma was the son of Rev. and Mrs. Enock Munjoma. He was born in 1930 at Old Umtali. He completed his primary education at old Umtali and his secondary education at Goromonzi. For many years he taught school in Mtoko District. Later he resigned teaching for another post in Salisbury as a salesman. He died on October 12, 1964.

#### **Rev. Robert C. Gates**

Rev. Gates came to Rhodesia in 1922 and entered the Rhodesia Conference in 1923. He was ordained a Deacon in 1923, and an Elder in 1927.

For the first ten years of his missionary service, Rev. Gates lived at Old Umtali, serving as pastor, and superintendent, and principal. In the years that followed, he worked as superintendent of Nyadiri Mission, Mrewa District, Umtali-Rusape District, Marange District, Mission Treasurer, Conference Treasurer, and pastor of St. Andrews Church. He retired in 1962 because of ill health while he was the Conference Treasurer, after forty years of effective service in Rhodesia.

Rev. Gates died in October 1964 at Renova, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. To Mrs. Gates and children we send our sympathy.

#### **Frances Quinton**

Miss Frances Quinton was born in Pulaski County, Kentucky on November 22, 1883. She studied at Indiana State Normal School and Indiana Business College before going as a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Christian worker to Southern Rhodesia. During furloughs she studied at Biblical Seminary in New York City and at Iliff School of Theology in Denver Colorado. Miss Quinton arrived at Old Umtali in 1917 to work at Fairfield Girls School. She was an excellent manager. On weekends she took food, blankets, Bible, song book and literature and went on a mule with some of the boarding girls into the villages. Miss Quinton did many faithful years of service at Old Umtali Mission, and many of the girls whom she helped to train are now mothers and grandmothers throughout the Rhodesia Conference today. It is quite likely that many of the loyal

Christian men and women in Rhodesia who are standing persecution today are true to God because their grandmothers were lead to follow Christ by Miss Quinton. She was a splendid industrial worker and whatever she undertook was always done well. For one term she had the educational supervision in Nyadiri and helped establish the Girls' School there.

Miss Quinton retired April 1, 1945. She had suggested that Africans should be specially trained to carry on much of the work. She felt that African nurses and teachers, if so trained, could do as effective work as those trained in the United States and could much better fit into the English School system. She recommended a health program for the villages and vacation camps for the girls.

After retirement Frances Quinton served in children's homes in Nebraska and Georgia and also in a private school for underprivileged girls, a former Methodist school. Her entire life was dominated by love for the cause of Christian service.

The week that Wesley Manor in Frankfort, Indiana, was opened, Miss Quinton moved in on November 13, 1961. She lived there until her death on February 28, 1965. She was buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, Wesley Manor Section, in Frankfort.



## B. ROLL OF OUR HONOURED DEAD

(a) Members of Conference

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord"

	Place of Birth	Ent'd Conf.	Yrs. of Service	Died
Buchwalter, Abraham L.	Fertility, Penn.	1899	26	Aug. 3, 1917
Gurney, Samuel	Long Branch, N. J.	1887	21	Aug. 3, 1924
Howard, Herbert N.	Harrisburg, Penn.	1907	11	Mar. 7, 1925
Greeley, Eddy H.	Owatonna, Minn.	1907	30	April 8, 1938
Faku, Clifford Edward	Fort Beaufort, Cape	1924	27	Febr'y 1946
Kapenzi, Amos	Gandanzara	1928	20	May 4, 1948
Zimonte, Ebson	Uzumba	1942	8	Mar. 14, 1950
Huie, Carl William	Oneonta, Ala.	1946	4	July 21, 1950
Chirika, Isaiah	Umtasa	1924	27	Aug. 17, 1951
Chimonyo, Obadiah	Nyambuka, Inyanga	1932	23	Aug. 25, 1955
Marange, Thomas	Mount Makomwe	1923	25	Febr'y 1958
Bourgaize, Wilfred	Ilse, Guernsey	1921	25	Apr. 11, 1958
Aeschliman, Edward John	Rib Lake, Wisconsin	1916	44	Jan. 26, 1960
Mandisodza, David	Umtasa	1921	30	Dec. 29, 1962
Gates, Robert C.		1923	40	October 1964
Mukombiwa, Zachariah	Gazaland	1926	23	Feb. 21, 1965

(b) Widows of Deceased Members: None.

Wives of Members:

Naomi Mparutsa, Wife of Moses Mparutsa, died February 12th, 1933.  
 Emma Katsidzira, Wife of Murashwa Katsidzira, died May 3rd, 1933.  
 Emily Faku, Wife of Clifford Faku, died March 1, 1934.  
 Lydia Sika Munjoma, Wife of Isaiah Munjoma, died February 12th, 1945.  
 Hilda Ngonyama, Wife of R. N. Ngonyama, died 1948.  
 Tseneka Chitombo, Wife of Jonah Chitombo, died August 30th, 1948.  
 Tumani Mandisodza, wife of David Mandisodza, died June 14th, 1953.  
 Mrs. Bertha Fowles Roberts, Wife of G. A. Roberts, aged 73, died May 9th, 1957.  
 She served in Southern Rhodesia 1910-1950. Buried at Old Umtali.  
 Edith Kapenzi, wife of Amos Kapenzi, died January 23, 1963. Buried at Old Umtali.

# Roll of Our Honoured Dead (Continued)

	Age	Place of Burial	Record in Journal
Buchwalter	52	Monrovia, California	1917
Gurney	64	Salisbury, So. Rhodesia	1924
Howard	55	Canandaigua, N. Y.	1925
Greeley	80	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.	1938
Faku	64	Fort Beaufort, Cape	1946
Kapenzi	50	Nyadiri, So. Rhodesia	1951
Zimonte	35	Nyadiri, So. Rhodesia	1951
Huie	41	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.	1951
Darikwa	62	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.	1951
Chimonyo	63	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.	1955
Marange	72	Makomwe, So. Rhod.	1963
Bourgaize	67	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.	1957
Aeschliman	72	Old Umtali, So. Rhod.	1963
Mandsodza	75	Vumbunu, So. Rhod.	1963
Gates		Renova, Pa.	1963
Mukombiwa		Muchinjike	1963

## (c) Other Workers:

- Miss Sadie Rexrode, W.F.M.S., age 38, died January 22, 1921, after three years service in So. Rhodesia; buried at Old Umtali.
- Mr. Charles F. Taylor, age 67, missionary to China, died in the Umtali Hospital, August 14th, 1937 and was buried at Old Umtali.
- Miss E. E. Bjorklund, age 63, died November 19th, 1930. Her missionary service extended over a period of thirty-five years. She served in China and Japan from 1894 to 1900, in East Africa at Inhambane 1910 to 1915 and in Rhodesia at Old Umtali 1915 to 1929. Buried at Old Umtali.
- Miss Mildred O. Benson, age 42, died July 12th, 1937, a missionary of the W.F.M.S. She served in S. Rhodesia at Old Umtali, 1926-1937. Buried at Old Umtali.
- Miss Pearl Mullikin, age 71. Died July 12th, 1950. She served in Southern Rhodesia from 1909-1939. Buried at Wilmore, Kentucky.
- Miss Loi Pfaff, age 53. Died March 14th, 1962, served as a missionary for 18 years. Buried at Old Umtali.
- Miss Frances Quinton, age 82. Died February 28th, 1965. Served in Rhodesia from 1917-1945. Buried in Frankfort, Indiana.

## **Part X**

### **PASTORAL RECORD**

(This record includes only the appointments during membership in the Rhodesia Annual Conference, except for missionaries. Addresses may be found in the Conference membership roll).  
1963 supernumerary; 1964 retired.

#### **1. RETIRED MINISTERS**

**Aldrich, Sylvia:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946 by the Highway Conference; appointed missionary of the W.D.-C.S. to Rhodesia; 1950-56 Old Umtali, Teacher Training Dept.; 1958-62, Teacher Training Dept., Old Umtali; Retired 1962.

**Chieza, Philip:** Rhodesia Mission Conference 1927; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1927-29 Muziti; 1930-31 Chiduku Circuit; 1932 Odzi Circuit; 1933-35 Odzi-Old Umtali Circuit; 1936-38 Odzi Circuit; 1939-48 Penhalonga Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku South Circuit; 1955 retired.

**Chieza, Samuel:** Rhodesia Conference 1927; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1927-31 Mrewa; 1931-48 Mtoko; 1949-61 Salisbury; 1962 retired.

**Chimbadzwa, Josiah:** Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1930; 1926-30 Assistant, Theological School, Old Umtali; 1931-33 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali and teacher in Hartzell Training School; 1934-35 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali; 1936-40 Pastor, Old Umtali 1941-46 Salisbury; 1946-51 Old Umtali; 1952-58 Umtali; 1959-60 supernumerary; 1961 Salisbury (Harare); 1962 Old Umtali Biblical Institute; 1963 retired.

**Gates, Robert C.:** Rhodesia Conference 1923; Deacon 1923; Elder 1927; 1923-27 Literary and Normal Department, Hartzell Training School; 1923 Old Umtali Circuit; 1924 Old Umtali Church; 1925 Old Umtali, Umtali, and Umtali Circuit; 1926 Mission Correspondent; 1927 Superintendent Old Umtali District and Principal Hartzell Training School; 1932 Superintendent, Nyadiri Mission; 1933-35 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1936 Superintendent Umtali-Rusapi District and St. Andrews Church; 1933-36 Mission Treasurer; 1937 on furlough; 1938-46 Hartzell Training School, Teacher Training Dept.; 1939-46, 1949-54 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1947-48 on furlough; 1949-50 Mrewa North and West Circuit; 1950-1955 Supervisor Harare Church, Salisbury; 1956 on furlough; 1957 Superintendent Umtali-Zimunya District; 1958-61 Superintendent and school superintendent Marange District; 1962, Conference Treasurer; 1963, retired. Deceased October 1964.

**James, Henry I.:** West Wisconsin Conference 1907; Deacon 1910; Elder 1913; 1907 Birchwood; transferred Wisconsin Conference 1908; 1908-09 Algoma; 1910-12 Oconto; transferred East Central Africa Mission Conference 1913; 1913-14 St. Paul's Penhalonga; 1915 Principal Hartzell Training School; 1916-19 Mission Treasurer; 1916 Bible Dept. and Mission Press; 1917-18 Principal Central Training School Old Umtali Circuit; 1919 on furlough; 1920-22 Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1920-24 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1923-24 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1925-26 on furlough; 1927-28 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1929-31, Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1932-34 Superin-

tendent, Umtali District and Principal Theological School, Pastor Old Umtali, and Mission Press; 1930-34 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1935 on furlough; 1936-47 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1948-49 on furlough; 1949-51 Superintendent Mutambara; 1952 retired.

**Kasambira, Silas P.:** Rhodesia Conference 1932; Deacon 1934; Elder 1936; in school 1932-33; 1934 Penhalonga; 1935-40 Gandanzara Circuit; 1941-45 Mt. Makomwe; 1945-52 Nyanyadzi; 1954-62 Mutambara West; 1963 supernumerary; 1964 retired.

**Katsidzira, Benjamin:** Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-25 Nyamukwarara; 1926 Gandanzara; 1927-31 Gandanzara Circuit; 1932-34 Mtasa Circuit; 1935-38 Maranke Circuit; 1939-48 Zimunya Circuit; 1950 Chiduku North Circuit; 1951 retired.

**Katsidzira, Hosea:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mangwendi Circuit; 1935-38 Headlands Circuit; 1939-61 Mrewa Circuit; 1962 retired.

**Maramba, Johnson:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1930 Assistant Hartzell Training School; 1931-33 Mukahanana Circuit; 1934 in school; 1935-36 Penhalonga; 1936-38 Penhalonga Circuit; 1939-49 Chiduku North; 1949-50 Nyadiri; 1950 Penhalonga, Mwendenda; 1955-63 Zimunya South; 1964 retired.

**Maranke, Titus:** Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-28 Salisbury; 1929-31 in school; 1932-33 Gandanzara Circuit; 1934-51 Umtali; 1952-58 Mutambara; 1959-61 Chaplain Nyadiri Hospital; 1962 retired.

**Mparutsa, Moses:** Rhodesia Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1928-29 Umtali; 1930-44 Nyadiri; 1945-54 Zimunya South Circuit; 1955 Assistant Superintendent Maranke-Chiduku District; 1956-57 Superintendent Maranke District; 1955-58 Maranke Central Circuit; 1959-61 Umtali; 1962-63 Chaplain, Nyadiri Hospital; 1964 retired.

**Mukombiwa, Zachariah:** Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1932; 1926 Assistant Agriculture Dept. Old Umtali; 1927-28 Penhalonga; 1929-33 Headlands Circuit; 1934-38 Chiduku Circuit; 1939-46 Old Umtali Circuit; 1948 Mrewa East Circuit; 1949 retired. Deceased February 1965.

**Munjoma, Enoch:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-53 Mtoko North Circuit; 1954-57 Zimunya Circuit; 1958-61 Mrewa Centre; 1962 retired.

**Murphree, Marshall J.:** Nebraska Conference 1917; Deacon 1919; Elder 1920; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1921; 1921-23 Principal Hartzell Training School, Superintendent Old Umtali District; 1924 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1925 on furlough; 1926-31 Theological Dept., Old Umtali; 1926 Gandanzara Circuit; 1927 Superintendent Rusape District, Mission Press; 1932 Superintendent Umtali-Rusape District, St. Andrews Church; 1933-34 on furlough; 1935-38 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Hartzell Training School, Mission Press; 1939-40 Superintendent Old Umtali District and Mission; 1941-44 on furlough; 1945 Old Umtali; 1946-50 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Hartzell Training School; 1951 on furlough; 1952-56 Conference Evangelist; 1957 retired.

**Nduna, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1932; 1928-31 Assistant, Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali (Literary Dept.), Old Umtali Circuit; 1932-37 Teacher in Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali; 1938-40 Supt. of schools, Old Umtali District; 1941 leave of absence; 1942-56 Supt. Honde District; 1957-59 Rowa; 1964 retired.

**Ngonyama, Reginald:** Rhodesia Conference 1925; Deacon 1927; Elder 1929; 1925-26 Asst. Mutambara Mission; 1927-28 Mutambara Circuit and Mission; 1929-33 Maranke; 1934-51 Asst. Hartzell Training School; 1952 retired.

**O'Farrell, Thomas A.:** East Central Africa Conference 1910; Deacon and Elder 1910; 1910-1915 Mutambara Mission and Circuit; 1915-18 on furlough; 1919 Principal Central Training School, Old Umtali; 1919-20 Mrewa Mission and Circuit; 1921-23 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1924 on furlough; 1925-26 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1927-31 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1932 on furlough; 1933-39 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1940 on furlough; 1941-47 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1948 on furlough; 1949-51 Umtali African work; 1951-52 on furlough; 1953 retired.

**Roberts, George A.:** Rhodesia Conference 1921; Deacon and Elder 1921; 1907-08 Old Umtali, assistant Agriculture Dept.; 1909-10 Old Umtali Industries; 1911 Old Umtali Agriculture and Sunday School Missionary; 1912-13 Old Umtali Agriculture Dept.; 1914 on furlough; 1915-18 Old Umtali Agriculture and Animal Husbandry; 1919-20 Mutambara Circuit; 1921 on furlough; 1922-23 Old Umtali Dept. of Agriculture and Gandanzara Circuit; 1924 Principal Hartzell Training School and Gandanzara Circuit; 1925-28 Principal Hartzell Training School and Dept. of Agriculture; 1929-30 on furlough; 1931-37 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1938 on furlough; 1939-45 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1947 on furlough; 1948-50 Principal Nyadiri Mission; 1950 retired.

**Rugayo, Jackson:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-48 Mutambara Circuit; 1949-51 Mrewa; 1952 Maranke North Circuit; 1953-62 Nyanyadzi Circuit; 1963, retired.

## 2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS

**Anfinssen, Hans Faye:** Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1951; Elder 1952 (Missionary Rule); Sandnes 1948-49; in school 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1952-56 Marange-Chiduku; 1958 Supt. of Schools, Mrewa District; 1959 Supt of Schools, Mrewa District and Chairman, Mrewa Mission; 1960-1963 Chairman, Mrewa Methodist Centre; 1963-4 on furlough; 1965 Rusape (Wesley) and Manager Zimunya Schools.

**Ball, Marcia Mary:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1958; 1951-56 Umtali Christian Centre; 1957 on furlough; 1958-60 Conference Director of Christian Education, Women's Bible Training; 1961-62 Literature Planning Editor; 1963 on furlough; 1964 Director, Umtali Christian Centre.

**Bisby, Joseph Brice:** Texas Conference 1955, Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; Served charges in Texas Conference 1955-58; in school 1960. Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961, Mutambara Circuit Schools

1961-62; 1963-65 Headmaster, Mutambara Teacher Training; 1965 Headmaster Mutambara Secondary.

**Blomquist, Lennart:** Swedish Conference 1940; Deacon 1942; Elder 1944; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1947; Nyadiri District missionary 1947-49; Superintendent, Nyadiri District 1950-51; on furlough 1952; 1954-56 Mutambara; 1957-59 Old Umtali Farm; 1960 furlough; 1961-64 Supt. Mtoko-Nyadiri District; 1965 on furlough.

**Chidzikwe, Josiah:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948 Mukahanana Circuit; 1949 Penhalonga Circuit; 1950 Assistant Religious Education; 1951 Maranke North Circuit; 1952-56 Mrewa; 1957-60 Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; 1961 Studies abroad; 1962- Chairman, Nyadiri Centre, Pastor of church.

**Chieza, Luke:** Rhodesia Conference 1934; Deacon 1936; Elder 1938; 1936-41 Evangelist Mrewa District; 1942-47 Mrewa Centre; 1949-52 Nyakatsapa Circuit; 1954-55 Asst. Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956-61 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District, 1962-65 Conference evangelist; 1966 retired.

**Chigubu, Nason:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-56 Chikuhwa and Uzumba North; 1957-64 Mtoko West (Nyadiri East); 1965- Marange South.

**Chikosi, Davidson:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1953-54 Gandanzara Circuit; 1955 supernumerary; 1956-63 Mutambara East; 1963- Supt. Mrewa District.

**Chimbanga, Elijah:** Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-62 Mtoko North; 1963 studies abroad; 1964- Mtoko North.

**Chinogureyi, Maja David:** Rhodesia Conference 1956; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1956 Umtali Zimunya Circuit; 1957-58 Nyadiri Circuit; 1959-63 Chikore-Tanda; 1964- Mrewa West.

**Chitombo, Jonah:** Rhodesia Conference 1933; Deacon 1935; Elder 1938; in school 1933-35; 1935-47 Nyadiri Circuit; 1948-52 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1953-55 Assistant Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1956 Nyadiri District; 1957-59 Mrewa and Nyadiri Districts; 1960 Supt. Mrewa District; 1961- Chairman and Pastor, Mutambara Centre.

**Chiwota, Nathaniel:** Rhodesia Conference 1959; Deacon 1962; Elder 1964; 1959 Book distribution; 1960-61 Mtoko; 1961-63 Marange South; 1964- Mutambara East.

**Chiza, Martin:** Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1954; Elder 1956; 1952 Gandanzara Circuit; 1953-56 Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; 1957-8 studies abroad; 1959- Epworth Theological College.

**Choto, Kenneth:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948-52 Mrewa School Supervisor and Mrewa East; 1954-56 Assistant Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1957 Mtoko District; 1958 studies abroad; 1959-61 Old Umtali Biblical Institute and station chairman; 1962- Salisbury (Harare).

**Culver, Maurice E.:** Newark Conference 1942; Deacon and Elder 1944; New Jersey 1942-44; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1945; 1945-46 Maranke and Zimunya Circuits; 1947-49 Superintendent Maranke-Zimunya District; 1947-48 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni Dis-

trict; 1948-49 Umtali District; 1949-52 on furlough; 1952-55 Secretary of Literature and Evangelism; 1954-56 Principal Theological School; 1957-8 on furlough; 1959-60 Principal, Old Umtali Biblical Institute; 1961-62 Epworth Theological College; 1963 on furlough; 1964- Asbury Theological Seminary.

**Curtis, Thomas L.:** South Georgia Conference 1957; Deacon 1958; Elder 1959; St. Luke's Church, Columbus, Georgia (Associate Pastor) 1958-60; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1961; 1961 Asst. Supt. Mtasa-Makoni District; 1962-4 Supt. Mtasa-Makoni District; 1965 on furlough.

**Dikanifuwa, Nason A.:** Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1958; 1955-56 Nyadiri Mission, 1957-60 Umtali; 1961 studies abroad; 1962- Umtali.

**Eisenberg, John Lawrence:** Illinois Conference 1943; Deacon 1943; Elder 1945; served appointments in Illinois, Iowa, Tennessee, West Wisconsin and Virginia 1943-60; transferred from Holston Conference to Rhodesia Conference 1961; pastor, Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; 1963-4 Director of Publications; 1965 on furlough.

**Eriksson, Kare:** Norway Conference 1941; Deacon 1946; Elder 1947; Mo in Rana 1941-42; Sigerford 1943; Bood 1944; in school 1947-48; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1949; 1949-51 District missionary, Mutambara; 1952-53 Superintendent, Mutambara District; 1954 on furlough; 1955-59 Superintendent Mutambara District, Principal Mutambara School; 1960-61 Administrative Assistant; 1962 on furlough; 1963- Epworth Theological College.

**Goodloe, Robert W.:** Rhodesia Conference 1956; 1952 Deacon; 1956 Elder; 1956 School Superintendent Mtasa District; 1957 Principal Hartzell Theological School; 1959-60 Epworth Theological College; 1961 on furlough; 1962- Hendrix College.

**Griffin, Hunter D.:** Kentucky Conference 1947; 1949 Deacon; Elder 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; District Missionary Mtasa-Makoni 1951; 1952-55 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956 on furlough; 1957-61 Nyadiri Mission; 1961 Administrative Assistant; 1962 on furlough; 1963- Old Umtali Biblical Institute; 1965- Exec. Sec. of Ngariende, Extension Coordinator.

**Gurupira, Philemon:** Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1954 Deacon; Elder 1956; 1952-55 Mtoko African Missionary Society; 1956-58 Chiduku South; 1959-64 Nyadiri Circuit; 1965- Mtoko West.

**Gurure, J. Johnstone:** Rhodesia Conference 1963; Deacon 1965; 1963- Mrewa South.

**Hanson, Coriless V.:** Alabama-West Florida Conference 1954; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; transferred Angola Conference 1959; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1964; 1950-51 pastor Panama City, Florida; 1951-54 Brent (Alabama) Circuit; 1954-57 pastor Lexington, N.C.; 1959-64 Wm. Taylor Bible School, Quessua, Angola; 1964 T.T. Nyadiri.

**Harper, Kenneth:** California-Nevada Conference 1948; Deacon and Elder 1948; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; 1951 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1952-54 Teacher Training Old Umtali; 1954-55 on furlough; 1956-58 study leave; 1959- University of Kentucky.

**Hassing, Per:** Norway Conference 1937; Deacon 1938; Elder 1939; 1937-39 Conference Evangelist; 1939 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1940-41 Superintendent of Schools, Old Umtali District; 1942-45 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1946-47 on furlough; 1948-50 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1949-52 Superintendent Umtali District; 1952 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1953-54 on furlough; 1955-57 Field Treasurer and Correspondent; 1956-59 Administrative Assistant; 1960 on furlough; 1961- Boston University School of Theology.

**Heyer, Edward:** Transferred from United Church of Christ to Rock River Conference 1959; Elder 1959; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1960; Mrewa District Schools 1960-61; Nyadiri Teacher Training 1962-63; 1964- on furlough.

**Hughes, Robert Epperson:** North Alabama Conference 1953; Deacon 1953; Elder 1955; appointments 1953-58; supernumerary 1959-60; in school 1961; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; Mutambara Church 1962; 1963-64 Social Evangelism, Asst. Pastor Salisbury (Highfields); 1965- Mindolo Ecumenical Centre.

**Jangano, Elia:** On trial Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948-49 Assistant in Religious Education; 1950-51 Mutambara; 1952 Mutambara East; 1954-55 Mutambara West Circuit; 1956-58 Nyadiri Hospital Chaplain; 1959-63 Chiduku South; 1964 supernumerary; 1965- Conference evangelist.

**Jijita Elliot:** Rhodesia Conference 1962; Deacon 1964; 1962 Asst. pastor Salisbury (Harare) and Audio-Visual; 1963-64 Old Umtali Biblical Institute; 1965- Mundenda.

**Jijita, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-56 Maramba-Pfungwe; 1957-61 Nyadiri Centre; 1962- Rusape.

**Johnson, J. Morgan:** South Georgia Conference 1951; Deacon 1951; Elder 1955; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1962; 1951-54 A-3 (1952 Mrewa Primary, 1953-54 P.T.L. Old Umtali); 1955-57 graduate student; 1957-60 Art teacher, Atlanta, Ga.; 1960-61 graduate student; 1961 P.T.L. Mutambara; 1962-64 P.T.H. and Secondary, Old Umtali; 1963-64 part time pastor, Mundenda Circuit; 1965 Secondary, Old Umtali; 1965 Art Dept., Press Building.

**Kaemer, John E.:** Angola Conference 1959; Deacon 1961; transferred Southeast Africa Conference 1961; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1963; Elder 1964; 1964- Nyadiri Teacher Training; 1965- Music Research.

**Kajese, Amon:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-52 Maramba-Pfungwe; 1953-59 Uzumba North and South; 1960-Mtoko South.

**Kalso, Milton L.:** Pacific Northwest Conference 1961; Deacon 1961; Elder 1964; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1964; 1964 Mutambara Teacher Training; 1965- Nyadiri Teacher Training.

**Kapenzi, Geoffrey:** Rhodesia Conference 1960; Deacon 1964; 1960- in school.

**Katsande, Alfred:** Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder



1959; 1955-56 Nyamukwarara; 1957-61 Nnyanga North; 1962 Asst. Umtali; 1963 studies abroad; 1964- Marange Central.

**Kawadza, Jonah:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-57 Mrewa East Circuit; 1958-60 Chikwizo Circuit; 1961-63, Supt. Mrewa District; 1964- Administrative Assistant.

**Kowo, Simon:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1953; Elder 1955; 1953-54 Mtoko North Circuit; 1955-56 Mtoko East Circuit; 1957-60 assistant superintendent Mtoko District; 1961 studies abroad; 1962-63, Salisbury (Highfields); 1964 sabbatical leave; 1965 supernumerary.

**Kurewa, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1960; Deacon 1962; Elder 1964; 1960 Chikwizo; 1961- studies overseas.

**Kuwana, Elisha L.:** Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1956; Elder 1958; 1952-53 Nyamukwarara; 1954-55 Mrewa East; 1957-63 Mtoko East; 1964- Chiduku South.

**Leiknes, Asbjorn:** Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1949; Elder 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1950; 1950-51 District missionary, Nyadiri; 1952-54 Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1955-58 on furlough; 1959 Superintendent Mutambara and Umtali-Zimunya Districts; 1960 Umtali (St. Andrews); 1961-62 Old Umtali Secondary School; 1963-64 on furlough; 1965- Mutambara Teacher Training/Secondary.

**Machiri, Jonah:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1933; Elder 1935; in school 1933-35; 1935-37 Evangelist, Old Umtali District; 1938-39 Mukahanana Circuit; 1940-41 Teacher, Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali; 1942-48 Chiduku South Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku North Circuit; 1949-54 Maranke South Circuit; 1955-62 Penhalonga Munda; 1963- Marange North.

**Machiri, Patrick:** Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-33 Chiduku Circuit; 1934-35 Maranke Circuit; 1936-49 Nyakatsapa; 1950-51 Mtoko; 1952-54 Chiduku North; 1955-65 Gandanzara; 1966 retired.

**Madzinga, Nason:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-57 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1957-62 Maramba-Pfungwe; 1963 studies abroad; 1964 Mtoko East; 1965- Supt. Mtoko-Nyadiri District.

**Makuto, Daniel:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1949-50 Chikwizo; 1951-56 Mtoko; 1957-62 Mrewa East; 1963- Mrewa Centre.

**Mandisodza, Wilson:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-43 Muziti; 1944-46 Nyakatsapa; 1947-49 Old Umtali Circuit; 1950-51 Nyadiri Circuit; 1952 Mrewa East Circuit; 1953-61 Mrewa North; 1962- Chiduku North.

**Matongo, Ezekiel:** Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-61 Maranke South; 1962- Nyakatsapa.

**Matongo, Rudolph:** Rhodesia Conference 1963; Deacon 1965; 1963- Mutambara West.

**Miller, Charles M.:** Baltimore Conference 1949; Deacon 1950; Elder

1951; 1950-52 in school; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1953; 1953-54 Mutambara District Superintendent; 1955-57 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1958 Social Centre, Umtali; 1959 on furlough; 1960-63 Director, Umtali Christian Centre; 1964- on furlough.

**Mudzengerere, David:** Rhodesia Conference 1960; Deacon 1961; Elder 1963; 1960-62 Headlands; 1963-64 Nyanyadzi; 1965- Pastor and chairman, Old Umtali.

**Munjoma, John:** Rhodesia Conference 1962; Deacon 1964; 1962-63 Asso. Pastor Old Umtali; 1964- studies abroad.

**Munjoma, Samuel:** Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-48 Uzumba North Circuit; 1949 Mutambara Mission; 1950-53 Mundenda; 1954-62 Maranke North; 1963- Bulawayo.

**Murphree, Marshall Warne:** Indiana Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1957; 1954 Lanesville; 1955 in school; 1956 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1956-57 Evangelist, Mtoko-Nyadiri; 1957-59 school manager, Nyadiri; 1960-61 on furlough; 1962-64 Secretary of Evangelism (Ngariende) and Extension Coordinator; 1965 on furlough.

**Muziti, Josiah:** Rhodesia Conference 1962; Deacon 1965; 1962-63 Inyanga North; 1964- Inyanga South.

**Muzorewa, Abel:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-55 Asst. in Conference Evangelism; 1956-57 Chiduku North; 1958-62 studies abroad; 1963-64 Pastor and chairman, Old Umtali; 1965 Conference Director of Youth Work.

**Muzulu, Samuel:** Rhodesia Conference 1956; Deacon 1958; Elder 1960; 1956-60 Nyakatsapa; 1961-62 Mrewa Centre; 1963 studies abroad; 1964- Mrewa North.

**Nemaungwe, John R.:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1959; 1953-56 Asst. Umtali (Miller Memorial); 1957 supernumerary; 1958-60 Chiduku North; 1961-62 Mrewa North; 1963- Leave of absence.

**Noah, Raymond Eaton:** Central Kansas Conference 1944; Deacon 1950; transferred to Angola Conference 1951; Elder 1952. Served appointment in Angola 1951-61; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1962; 1962 manager, Nyadiri District schools; 1963-64 Principal, Nyadiri Centre; 1965 on furlough.

**Nyamukapa, Patron:** Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; in school 1948; 1950 North East Mtoko District; 1951 Chikwizo; 1952-56 Assistant for Literature Evangelism; 1957-58 Headlands; 1959-60 Mutambara Centre; 1961- Supt., Umtali South District.

**Nyamuwura, Dennison:** Rhodesia Conference 1961; Deacon 1963; Elder 1965; 1961-4 Uzumba North and South; 1965- Bible Societies in Malawi.

**Otto, Grace:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1954 Mutambara Girls' School; 1955 on furlough; 1956-60 Headmistress Mutambara Girls' School; 1961 furlough; 1962-63 Mutambara Teacher Training; 1964- Nyadiri Teacher Training.

**Otto, Vivian:** Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1953-54 Nyadiri Girls' School; 1955 on furlough; 1956 Nyadiri; 1957 Old Umtali Teacher Training; 1958-60 Mutambara Teacher Training; 1961-62 on furlough; 1963-64 Headmistress Old Umtali Teacher Training; 1965- Headmistress Nyadiri Teacher Training.

**Sells, Ernest L.:** Kentucky Conference 1921; Deacon 1925; Elder 1927; 1921-22 in school; transferred to Kansas Conference 1923; 1923-24 Winchester; 1925-27 in school; 1927-28 Elgin; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1929; 1929-32 Supt., Mrewa District; 1933-35 Superintendent Umtali-Rusape District, St. Andrews Church; 1936 on furlough; 1937-38 Superintendent Umtali District, St. Andrews Church; 1938 Supt., Mutambara District; 1939-47 Supt., Umtali District; 1948-49 on furlough; 1949-54 Umtali, St. Andrews and Circuit; 1955 on furlough; 1956-58 Principal Mrewa Mission; 1959 on furlough; 1960-63 Audio-Visual; 1964- retirement furlough.

**Stine, Ovid A.:** Southern Illinois Conference 1941; Deacon 1943; Elder 1945; 1941 Mt. Erie; 1942-44 Elisabethtown; 1943 Harrisburg "Dorris Heights"; 1946-49 in school; 1950 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1950-51 Mtoko Missionary; 1952-54 Supt. Mrewa District; 1955 on furlough; 1956-57 Supt. Makoni District; 1958-60 Supt. Mtoko District and Principal Nyamuzuwe Mission; 1961 furlough; 1962-63 Administrative Assistant; 1964 Evangelist at Shapuri; 1965 District Supt. Mtasa-Makoni District; 1965 furlough.

**Thomas, Norman Ernest:** New York East Conference 1955; Deacon 1955; Transferred to Oregon Conference 1956; Elder 1957; 1956-59 Portland (Errol Heights); 1960-61 in school; 1962 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1962-65 Conf. Director of Christian Education.

**Zuze, Solomon:** Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1956; 1954-55 Mtoko North Circuit; 1956-57 Chikwizo; 1958-63 Zimunya North; 1965- Maramba-Pfungwe.

### MINISTERS ON TRIAL

**Buwu, William:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965-Chikore-Tanda.

**Chikanya, Martin:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965-studies overseas.

**Kadenge, Fanuel:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965-Salisbury (Highfields).

**Kurewa, Josiah:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965-Chikwizo.

**Mkasa, Caleb:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965 Asst. Pastor Umtali; 1965- Mtoko East.

**Nyakuengama, Samson:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965- Zimunya South.

**Nyanungo, Lovemore:** Rhodesia Conference 1964; Deacon 1965; 1964 Marange South; 1965- Zimunya North.

**Zhungu, Lamech:** Rhodesia Conference 1965; Deacon 1965; 1965-Makoni.

## **Part X**

### **Conference Calendar, 1965-1966**

#### **MAY 1965**

28-30 Mtasa-Makoni District Conference

#### **JUNE 1965**

4-6 Mtoko-Nyadiri District Conference

11-13 Mrewa District Conference

18-20 Umtali South District Conference

#### **JULY 1965**

25 Harvest Sunday

#### **AUGUST 1965**

1 Girl Guide Sunday

8 Bible Sunday

15 Ngariende Sunday

25-29 RRW Annual Meeting North

#### **SEPTEMBER 1965**

2-5 RRW, Wabvuwi, and MYF Meeting South at Chiringaudzi

11-13 Women's Consultation

19 Student Loan Sunday

22-26 Wabvuwi North Annual Meeting

26 MYF Sunday

#### **OCTOBER 1965**

3 World Communion Sunday

10 Temperance Sunday

11-16 Pastors' School

#### **NOVEMBER 1965**

14 Hospital Sunday

28 Laymen's Sunday

28 First Sunday in Advent

#### **DECEMBER 1965**

10-17 Missionary Language Workshop at Nyakatsapa

13-17 RRW Leadership Training Institute

25 Christmas

31 Watchnight

JANUARY 1966

- 3-9 MYF Annual Conference, Muziti
- 10-12 Conference Committees
- 13-15 Board of Finance and Coordination

FEBRUARY 1966

- 1-28 Christian Education Month
- 6 Baby Fold Sunday
- 20 Board of Ministry Sunday

MARCH 1966

- 1-31 Christian Home and Family Month
- 4 World Day of Prayer

APRIL 1966

- 3 Palm Sunday
- 8 Good Friday
- 10 Easter Sunday
- 15-17 Christian Convention South at Zuze
- 27-30 RRW Executive

MAY 1966

- 3-8 ANNUAL CONFERENCE at Nyadiri



STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

WORKERS											
1 Members of Conference	3	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	10
A. Under appointment	3	1	1	1		1	1		1	1	10
(1) Africans											
(2) Missionaries											
B. Others	3		1	1	1				1	2	9
(1) Africans			1	1	1				1	1	8
(2) Missionaries	3									1	1
2 On Trial					1			1			2
3 Missionaries	8		1							1	10
4 Other Missionary Workers											
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers					1						1
A. Approved Supply Pastors											
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists										42	42
6 Other Christian Life Workers											
7 Volunteer Workers	87	68	60	26	73	68	112	75	100	60	729
A. Local Preachers	27	35	22	14	18	36	39	43	27	18	279
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	60	33	38	12	55	32	73	32	73	42	450
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY											
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	130	15	7	20	235	96	264	137	65	35	1004
9 Enrolled Beginners	200	54	35	12	113	21	41	87	119	23	705
10 Preparatory Members	90	46	37	8	64	119	81	74	145	153	817
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	420	115	79	40	412	236	386	298	329	211	2526
12 Full Members Enrolled	410	201	254	217	400	395	532	504	239	800	3952
13 Christian Families	64	50	34	41	64	103	128	165	152	339	1140
14 Members Men's Society	33	23	22	12	29	15	38	116	30	46	364
15 Members Women's Society	84	104	134	72	209	240	326	88	132	395	1784
16 Members Youth Society	150	51	86	19	11	56	21	300	25	77	796
17 Number of Preaching Places	2	6	5	5	11	7	7	11	7	10	71
18 Number Sunday Schools	2	13	9	5	19	14	14	21	7	7	104
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	46	37	15	10	26	36	35	54	31	35	325
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	600	572	431	634	612	451	638	683	211	963	5795
21 Average Attendance	449	508	280	468	494	339	359	638	121	481	4137
PASTORAL ACTIVITIES											
22 Children Baptised	10	6	29	20	61	52	33	56	66	100	433
23 Adults Baptised	60	8	8	16	15	41	17	58	34	25	282
24 Beginners Received	200	24		8	49	21	13	102	80		497
25 Prep. Members Received	22	9	13	20	33	44	37	79	43	22	322
26 Full Members from Probation	22	6	11	16	59	41	36	76	21	25	313
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	38	5	13	5	12	10	10	22	13	13	141
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	124	23	21	9	71	21	18	22	44	4	356
29 Full Members who died	3	2	4	3	2	4	7	24	20	3	72
30 Christian Marriages Performed	2	4	1		13	16	13	12	12	11	84
EDUCATIONAL											
31 No. of schools	4	28			8		7				47
32 No. of Teachers in Schools	24	251			40		55				370
33 No. of Students (total)	829	7520									8349
A. Male	517										571
B. Female	312										312
34 Finances (in dollars)											
A. Local Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 7068										£ 7068
(2) On Buildings											
B. Government Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 7118										£ 7118
(2) On Buildings											
C. World Service Support											
(1) On Budget	£ 1792										£ 1792
(2) On Buildings	£ 2704										£ 2704

STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE[illegible]



# STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Mrewa District											
STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA											
ANNUAL CONFERENCE											
	Bulawayo	Mrewa Centre	Mrewa East	Mrewa West	Mrewa North	Mwate Centre	Mrewa South	Chikore-Tanda	Headlands	Highfield	TOTAL
WORKERS											
1 Members of Conference											
A. Under appointment	1	2	1	1	1	2			1	1	10
(1) Africans	1	2	1	1	1	2			1	1	10
(2) Missionaries						7					
B. Others						1			1		2
(1) Africans											
(2) Missionaries						1			1		2
2 On Trial								1			1
3 Missionaries		4									11
4 Other Missionary Workers		1				6			1		1
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers			1								1
A. Approved Supply Pastors			1					1			2
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists											
6 Other Christian Life Workers		1									1
7 Volunteer Workers	23	48	151	50	110	73		65	93	59	672
A. Local Preachers	8	13	57	19	32	32		25	36	15	237
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders	15	35	94	31	78	41		40	57	44	435
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY											
8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	84	60	382	52	371	225	29	40	42	14	1299
9 Enrolled Beginners	6	150	47	109	270		40	390	98	9	1119
10 Preparatory Members	38	60	146	63	64	74	39	64	53	8	609
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	128	270	575	224	705	299	108	494	193	31	3027
12 Full Members Enrolled	163	219	433	210	385	344	219	180	398	259	2810
13 Christian Families	35	23	322	28	125	176	46	60	202	82	1099
14 Members Men's Society	15	6	44	21	47	68	34	15	28	23	301
15 Members Women's Society	65	107	210	92	263	163	127	106	167	114	1414
16 Members Youth Society	15	39	42	12		113		100	64	16	401
17 Number of Preaching Places	3	3	17	16	9	7	3	3	6	1	68
18 Number Sunday Schools	1	5	23	5	11	7	30	17	8	6	113
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	3	35	94	20	59	19	73	22	37	24	386
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	45	400	1490	295	405	451	350	537	364	362	4699
21 Average Attendance	35	305	857	222	315	387	280	180	328	266	3175
PASTORAL ACTIVITIES											
22 Children Baptised	53	7	24	21	49	71	29	9	42		305
23 Adults Baptised	12	10	14	16	7	32	16	5	62		174
24 Beginners Received	4	200	13	80	170	13	7	5	84		576
25 Prep. Members Received	5	4	14	19	12	7			50		111
26 Full Members from Probation	5	28	11	11	3	27	12		41		138
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	7	21	8	7	4	10	3	5	11		76
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	5	3	16		5	7			15		60
29 Full Members who died		1	8	1	5	1			5		30
30 Christian Marriages Performed		3	8	1	6	8	3		10		39
EDUCATIONAL											
31 No. of schools		1	28					4	4		37
32 No. of Teachers in Schools		27	142					18	23		210
33 No. of Students (total)		809	5672					594	867		7942
A. Male		466	3054					314	462		4296
B. Female		343	2618					280	405		3646
34 Finances (in dollars)											
A. Local Support											
(1) On Budget											
(2) On Buildings											
B. Government Support											
(1) On Budget											
(2) On Buildings											
C. World Service Support											
(1) On Budget											
(2) On Buildings											

# Mrewa District

## STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	Enlawayo	Mrewa Centre	Mrewa East	Mrewa West	Mrewa North	Harare Centre	Mrewa South	Chikore-Tanda	Headlands	Highfield	TOTAL
D. Total Teachers Salaries											
E. Total Expenses											
(1) Budget											
(2) Buildings											
<b>MEDICAL</b>											
35 No. of Units											
A. Hospitals											
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres									1		1
C. Maternity Centres									1		1
36 Medical Staff											
A. Doctors											
B. Nurses									1		1
C. Nurses in Training											
D. Others									2		2
37 Patients											
A. Hospitalized											
(1) Total No. of Patients											
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital									2416		2416
B. Clinic Patients									9210		9210
C. Daily Treatments									55		55
D. No. of Maternity Patients											
38 Finances (in dollars)											
A. Local Support											
(1) On Budget									£ 560		£ 560
(2) On Buildings									£ 40		£ 40
B. Government Support											
(1) On Budget											
(2) On Buildings											
C. World Service Support											
(1) Budget											
(2) Buildings									£ 800		£ 800
D. Total Workers Salaries									£ 279		£ 279
E. Total Expenses											
(1) On Budget									£ 427		£ 427
(2) On Buildings									£ 1076		£ 1076
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>											
39 Ministerial Support											
A. Pastors	£ 133	£ 128	£ 89	£ 15	£ 112	£ 169		£ 67	£ 143	£ 132	£ 993
B. District Superintendents											
C. Episcopal Fund											
40 Conference Claimants		£ 173		£ 18	£ 45	£ 186	£ 59	£ 9	£ 53	£ 25	£ 568
41 Annual Conference Administration											
42 Central Conference Fund											
43 General Conference Administration											
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund											
45 Benevolences											
46 Buildings and Repairs											
47 Other Purposes											
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)											
49 Total Amount received by Pastors											
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches											
A. From Conference Benevolences											
B. From World Service Funds											
<b>PROPERTIES</b>											
51 No. of Church Buildings		1	9	6	10	1	4	4	9	1	45
A. Permanent		1	4	1	2	1	1	2	8	1	21
B. Semi-Permanent			3	4	4		2	1			14
C. Temporary			2	1	4		1	1	1		10
52 No. of Parsonages		1			1		1	1	1	1	6

**Wesley District**

Chiduku North	Chiduku South	Chisawana	Gandawana	Liyanga North	Liyanga South	Makoni	Musandanda	Nykatatapa	Nyamukwarara	Old Umali	Pemhalanga-Odoi	Esusya Railway	Wesley	TOTAL
1	1		1	1			1	1		4		1	1	12
1	1		1	1			1	1		2		1		9
1										2			1	3
1										1				2
					1	1		3	1	15			1	1
		1									1			3
													1	1
													1	3
													1	18
													1	1
														2
73	111	14	75	14	46	39	45	67	29	118	54	2		2
23	44	6	26	8	25	12	19	13	15	40	30	44		734
55	67	8	49	6	21	27	26	54	14	78	24	23		284
389	44	99	494	5	203	211	46	584	259	700	26	110	57	3227
43	39	22	121	2				326	7	185	4	137		886
35		13	68	9	225	78	74	384	28	135	42	78		1169
467	83	134	683	16	428	289	120	1294	294	1020	72	325	57	5282
479	32	158	497	141	245	317	452	392	404	742	222	222	95	4398
155	5	49	123	84	68		121	144		175	18	52	89	1083
49	9	11	29	22	16		48	34	19	45	29	31		345
278	9	51	256	52	85	49	182	239	129	366	83	69		1846
17		33	319	14	31		108	116		498	22	22		1158
10	11	8	7	4	7	4	5	5	6	12	9	6	1	95
9	5	4	6	44	9	3	5	7	6	12	6	7	1	124
17	16	4	41	5	13	7	16	17	28	71	21	14	3	273
196	280	24	355	123	449			281	4787	543	200	277		7515
		19	304	144				189		459	174	212		1501
53	41	2	22	4	37	26	46	33	28	94	17	49	15	467
18	35	27	4	1	10	6	15	34	25	23	17	51	7	273
19	58		39	2	49	8	43	170	6	85	20	45		344
23		18	13	4	19	2	16	176		36	25	25		357
42	19	20	21	21	18	20	13	21		53	9	26	12	295
8	10	3	4	2	9	3	6	12	2	8	7	14	10	98
6		3	11	11	5		2	14	8	23	26	45	11	165
7			4	3	3	2	6	1		16	3			45
3	3	1	10		6	2	10	8	15		2	4	2	66
		1			4	3				3				11
		4			17	17				31				69
					451	520				847				1818
					285	297				543				1125
					256									

# Mtasa-Makoni District

## STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	Chiduku North	Chiduku South	Chikwana	Gandanzara	Inyanga North	Inyanga South	Makoni	Mudenda	Nyatsatapa	Nyamukwarara	Old Umali	Penhalonga-Oddi	Rusape Railway	Wesley	TOTAL
D. Total Teachers Salaries											£17000				£17000
E. Total Expenses															
(1) Budget															
(2) Buildings															
<b>MEDICAL</b>															
35 No. of Units															
A. Hospitals											1				1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres											3				3
C. Maternity Centres											1				1
36 Medical Staff															
A. Doctors											1				1
B. Nurses											1				1
C. Nurses in Training															
D. Others											19				19
37 Patients															
A. Hospitalized															
(1) Total No. of Patients											1302				1302
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital											12251				12251
B. Clinic Patients											3332				3332
C. Daily Treatments											10799				10799
D. No. of Maternity Patients											756				756
38 Finances (in dollars)															
A. Local Support															
(1) On Budget											1064				1064
(2) On Buildings											56				56
B. Government Support															
(1) On Budget											1736				1736
(2) On Buildings															
C. World Service Support															
(1) Budget											1305				1305
(2) Buildings											221				221
D. Total Workers Salaries															
E. Total Expenses															
(1) On Budget											4207				4207
(2) On Buildings											337				337
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>															
39 Ministerial Support															
A. Pastors	£ 290	£ 294	£ 8	£ 249	£ 120	£ 259	£ 33	£ 30	£ 339	£ 120	£ 468	£ 120	£ 299		£ 2629
B. District Superintendents															
C. Episcopal Fund															
40 Conference Claimants															
41 Annual Conference Administration	£ 60	£ 60	£ 6	£ 60	£ 18	£ 18	£ 12	£ 36	£ 84	£ 48	£ 132	£ 36	£ 48	£ 176	£ 794
42 Central Conference Fund															
43 General Conference Administration															
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund															
45 Benevolences															
46 Buildings and Repairs				£ 10											
47 Other Purposes				£ 227											
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)				£ 10											
49 Total Amount received by Pastors															
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches															
A. From Conference Benevolences															
B. From World Service Funds															
<b>PROPERTIES</b>															
51 No. of Church Buildings	7	7	4	7	4	3	5	5	4	5	2	8	3	1	65
A. Permanent	5	5	1	7	2	1	4	3	1	3	1	4	1	1	39
B. Semi-Permanent	2	2	2		2	1	1	1	3	1	1	2	1		19
C. Temporary			1			1		1		1		2	1		7
52 No. of Parsonages	1	1		1				1	1	1	1	1	1		9

# **Mtoko-Nyadiri District**

## **STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

### **WORKERS**

	Chikwilo	Area "C"	Maramba-Pfungwe	Mtoko-East	Mtoko-North	Mtoko-South	Mtoko-West	Nyadiri	Nyadiri Circuit	Mkota	Usumba	TOTAL
1 Members of Conference												
A. Under appointment			1	1	2	1	1	2	1			9
(1) Africans			1	1	1	1	1	2	1			8
(2) Missionaries					1							1
B. Others								4				4
(1) Africans												
(2) Missionaries								4				4
2 On Trial												
3 Missionaries					7			23				30
4 Other Missionary Workers					2			2				4
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers								4				4
A. Approved Supply Pastors	1	1								1	1	4
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists								1				1
6 Other Christian Life Workers											2	2
7 Volunteer Workers	7	9	39	92	84	107	88	35	170		106	737
A. Local Preachers	7	1	22	21	14	28	13	10	35		36	185
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders		8	17	71	70	79	75	25	135		70	550

### **CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)		16	12	95	55	81	99	30	269		280	937
9 Enrolled Beginners		268		177	166	1655	73	167	223	30	784	3543
10 Preparatory Members	83	48	97	159	150	110	196	67	236	20	128	1294
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	83	332	109	431	371	1846	368	264	728	50	1192	5774
12 Full Members Enrolled	83	23	185	429	381	362	323	321	402	24	326	2859
13 Christian Families		28	35	63	75	48	35	58	55	5	58	460
14 Members Men's Society		8	24	37	32	31	27	19	30		44	252
15 Members Women's Society	29	16	90	109	180	164	164	55	385		242	1343
16 Members Youth Society			211	34	36	174	32	10	365		506	1368
17 Number of Preaching Places	5	2	8	9	12	2	9	13	7	5	1	73
18 Number Sunday Schools	7	4	15	17	12	14	9	3	7	2	10	101
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.		13	14	49	71	76	55	50	49		64	444
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools		285	578	850	1930	1359	586	681	682		1614	8665
21 Average Attendance		132	266	465	1260		293	555	538		1018	4327

### **PASTORAL ACTIVITIES**

22 Children Baptised		9		36	15	15	93	13	11	6	20	218
23 Adults Baptised	28	22		24	29	45	41	65	11		2	276
24 Beginners Received		48		101	22	678	45	30			13	937
25 Prep. Members Received				31	19	49	21	30	8		3	161
26 Full Members from Probation				18	25	22	32	60	11		2	170
27 Full Members Received by Transfer		2		2	39	10	5	10	1		12	90
28 Full Members removed by Transfer				10	2	1		16	16		16	61
29 Full Members who died				1	6	5	1	1			2	16
30 Christian Marriages Performed				6	1	7	3	3	4		3	27

### **EDUCATIONAL**

31 No. of schools			19	2	11	6	8	4				50
32 No. of Teachers in Schools			93	13	63	44	46	26				285
33 No. of Students (total)			3827	564	2376	1715	1381	776				10639
A. Male			1149	320	1480			461				4510
B. Female			1578	244	896			315				3033

For Items No. 34 (Finances), through item No. 50 there were no figures reported for this district.

### **PROPERTIES**

51 No. of Church Buildings	2	2		9	12	9	9	1	2	2	3	51
A. Permanent	1			2	2	2	4	1	1	1	2	16
B. Semi-Permanent				7	2	1	3		1		1	15
C. Temporary	1	2			8	6	2			1		20
52 No of Parsonages		1		1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	10



# STATISTICAL REPORT—DISTRICT TOTAL

## STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

### WORKERS

	MEEWA DISTRICT	MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT	MUTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT	UMTALI-SOUTH DISTRICT	TOTAL
1 Members of Conference	10	9	12	10	41
A. Under appointment	10	8	9	10	37
(1) Africans		1	3		4
(2) Missionaries	2	4	2	9	17
B. Others			1	8	9
(1) Africans	2	4	1	1	8
(2) Missionaries	1		3	2	6
2 On Trial	11	30	18	10	69
3 Missionaries	1	4		1	6
4 Other Missionary Workers	1	4	1		6
5 Other Salaried Pastoral Workers	2	4	2		8
A. Approved Supply Pastors		1			1
B. Local Preachers and Evangelists	1	2	2	42	47
6 Other Christian Life Workers	672	737	734	729	2872
7 Volunteer Workers	237	185	284	279	985
A. Local Preachers	435	550	450	450	1885
B. Exhorters and Class Leaders					

### CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

8 Baptised Children (under 12 years)	1239	937	3227	1004	6467
9 Enrolled Beginners	1119	3543	886	705	6253
10 Preparatory Members	609	1294	1169	817	3889
11 Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	3027	5774	5282	2526	16609
12 Full Members Enrolled	2810	2859	4398	3952	14019
13 Christian Families	1099	460	1083	1140	3782
14 Members Men's Society	301	252	345	364	1262
15 Members Women's Society	1414	1343	1846	1784	6387
16 Members Youth Society	401	1368	1158	796	3723
17 Number of Preaching Places	68	73	95	71	307
18 Number Sunday Schools	113	101	124	104	442
19 Number Teachers & Officers in S.S.	386	444	273	325	1428
20 Number Pupils in Sunday Schools	4699	8665	7515	5795	26674
21 Average Attendance	3175	4327	1501	4137	13140

### PASTORAL ACTIVITIES

22 Children Baptised	305	218	467	433	1423
23 Adults Baptised	175	276	273	282	1005
24 Beginners Received	576	937	344	497	2354
25 Prep. Members Received	111	161	357	322	951
26 Full Members from Probation	138	170	295	313	916
27 Full Members Received by Transfer	76	90	98	141	405
28 Full Members removed by Transfer	60	61	165	356	642
29 Full Members who died	30	16	45	72	163
30 Christian Marriages Performed	39	27	66	84	216

### EDUCATIONAL

31 No. of schools	37	50	11	47	
32 No. of Teachers in Schools	210	285	69	370	
33 No. of Students (total)	7942	10639	1818	8349	
A. Male	4296	4510	1125	571	
B. Female	3646	3033	783	312	

### 34 Finances (in dollars)

A. Local Support					
(1) On Budget		£ 10000	£ 7068		
(2) On Buildings					
B. Government Support					
(1) On Budget		£ 17000	£ 7118		
(2) On Buildings					
C. World Service Support					
(1) On Budget		£ 1863	£ 1792		
(2) On Buildings			£ 2704		

# STATISTICAL REPORT—DISTRICT TOTAL

## STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

	MEEWA DISTRICT	MTOKO-NYADIRI DISTRICT	MUTASA-MAKONI DISTRICT	UMTALI-SOUTH DISTRICT	TOTAL
D. Total Teachers Salaries					
E. Total Expenses					
(1) Budget					
(2) Buildings					
<b>MEDICAL</b>					
35 No. of Units					
A. Hospitals		1	1	1	3
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres	1	8	3	6	18
C. Maternity Centres	1	9	1	1	12
36 Medical Staff					
A. Doctors		4	1	1	6
B. Nurses	1	15	1	2	19
C. Nurses in Training		65			65
D. Others	2	11	19	7	39
37 Patients					
A. Hospitalized					
(1) Total No. of Patients		3456	1302	2012	6770
(2) Total No. of days in Hospital		60744	12251	21309	94304
B. Clinic Patients	2416	51933	3332	7523	65204
C. Daily Treatments	9210	323142	10799	32729	375930
D. No. of Maternity Patients	55	947	756	374	2132
38 Finances (in dollars)					
A. Local Support					
(1) On Budget	£ 560	£ 5686	£ 1064	£ 3459	£ 10769
(2) On Buildings	£ 40		£ 56		£ 96
B. Government Support					
(1) On Budget		£ 7286	£ 1736	£ 2258	£ 11280
(2) On Buildings					
C. World Service Support					
(1) Budget		£ 16483	£ 1305	£ 3078	£ 20866
(2) Buildings	£ 800	£ 7791	£ 221		£ 8812
D. Total Workers Salaries	£ 279	£ 12121		£ 2375	£ 14781
E. Total Expenses					
(1) On Budget	£ 427	£ 48152	£ 4207	£ 8664	£ 61450
(2) On Buildings	£ 1076	£ 5580	£ 337		£ 6993
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>					
39 Ministerial Support					
A. Pastors	£ 993		£ 2629	£ 2132	£ 5754
B. District Superintendents					
C. Episcopal Fund					
40 Conference Claimants	£ 568		£ 794		£ 1362
41 Annual Conference Administration					
42 Central Conference Fund					
43 General Conference Administration					
44 Interdenominational Cooperation Fund					
45 Benevolences				£ 3	£ 3
46 Buildings and Repairs				£ 435	£ 435
47 Other Purposes				£ 5	£ 5
48 Total Contributions of Local Church (39-47)				£ 322	£ 322
49 Total Amount received by Pastors				£ 232	£ 232
50 Total amount rec. from outside local Churches				£ 435	£ 435
A. From Conference Benevolences					
B. From World Service Funds					
<b>PROPERTIES</b>					
51 No. of Church Buildings	45	51	65	40	201
A. Permanent	21	16	39	9	85
B. Semi-Permanent	14	15	19	17	65
C. Temporary	10	20	7	14	51
52 No. of Parsonages	6	10	9	10	35





